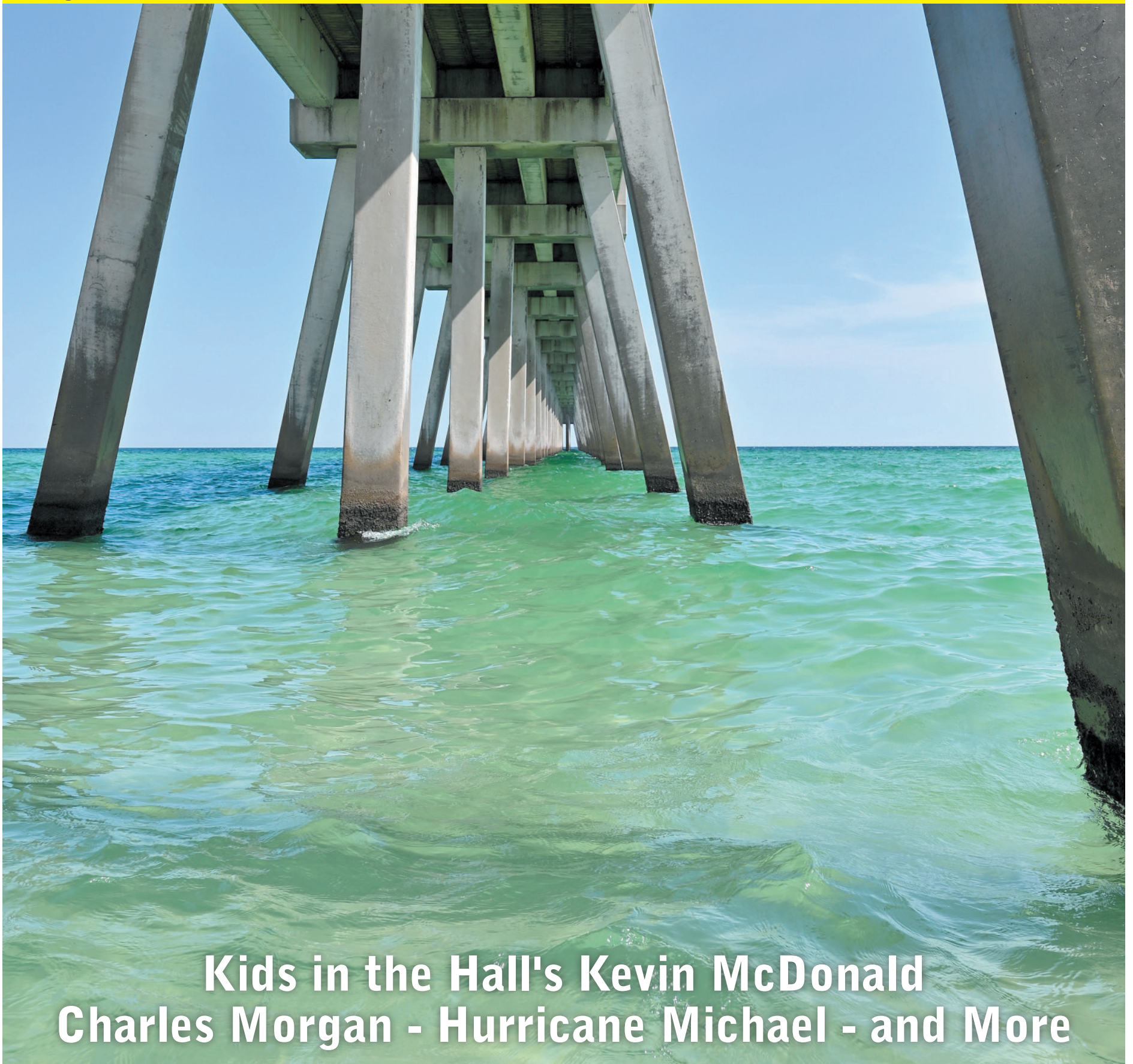


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**Navarre Pier**  
**By Darren Brown**

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## Opening Remarks

# The Only Thing That Needs Shootin' Around Here is Trouble!

If you've run into any snags trying to vote in our Beachcomber Music Awards Chapter 11 online poll (up and running through Wednesday, **Aug. 7**, because I have some mad scrambling to do in the two weeks and change leading up to the big event at Al's Beach Club & Burger Bar on Okaloosa Island Monday, **Aug. 26**), here are some troubleshooting tips:

Unplug your computer and plug it back in. This is an old trick from the chief engineer at my dad's old radio station in Florence, Alabama. I was the overnight DJ for a spell, and anytime something was on the fritz, the usual (slurred) answer from him at 3 AM was, "Did you try unplugging it and plugging it back in?" Oddly, this worked most of the time.

If that doesn't work, check with your parole officer to make sure your voting rights have, in fact, been fully restored.

And if that doesn't do it, contact the Department of Homeland Security and tell them you suspect the Russians are trying to influence this year's voting. But I have to warn you—they probably won't care.



It's time to play Beachcomberland's favorite game, "What's in Editor Manson's Cup?" Clue—it was 8 AM during EM's recent radio appearance with Beachcomber Music Awards nominee Aly Bockler. Okay, that probably won't help, nonetheless the first five correct responses to [chris@beachcomberdestin.com](mailto:chris@beachcomberdestin.com) will get 2 percent knocked off the purchase of a Beachcomber Music Awards VIP Experience Package (see July 18-31 issue for details)!

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# The Men and Women Who Make Beachcomber

**Darren Brown** (Cover) is an amateur photographer who currently resides in Houston, Texas. Darren and his wife Maria both emphasize the importance of showing their children as much of the world as they can manage. “The Destin area has been pulling me in its general direction for many years,” he says. “There is just something about that emerald clear water and blue sky that keeps me returning. The Emerald Coast of Florida is medicine for the soul.”

Photography has always been a hobby. “It’s essentially my ‘comfort blanket.’ I was blessed to have lived in Boulder, Colorado, during my young adult years. Hiking just outside of that postcard city taught me a greater appreciation for landscape photography and the vast scenic opportunities that shape our country.”

To contact Darren, email [fromshadowlands@sbcglobal.net](mailto:fromshadowlands@sbcglobal.net). And check out [www.instagram.com/fromshadowlands](http://www.instagram.com/fromshadowlands). And [www.eyem.com/u/darrenmariabrown](http://www.eyem.com/u/darrenmariabrown).

**Carrie Hunter** (“Hurricane Michael Over Six Months Later”) is a filmmaker from Northwest Florida. After graduating from FSU’s film school, she worked as a Creative Services Director at Channel 3 in Pensacola and as an associate producer on the independent film *The Lengths* (available on Amazon Prime). Carrie moved to New York to work as an apprentice with the Directors Guild of America, gaining eligibility for guild membership on both coasts. She was assigned to shows like *Luke Cage*, *Law and Order*, *Kimmy Schmidt*, *Blindspot*, and *Ben is Back*.

After completing the program, she returned to the south to produce her own work, including her current documentary *This Is Six Months After Hurricane Michael*. In the fall, she will be attending law school at Georgia State University with a focus on intellectual property and entertainment law.

Seagrove Beach resident **Nikki Hedrick** (Stage) is a photographer and longtime *Beachcomber* contributor. She is the co-owner of 850 Music and Entertainment, and wears a few other hats, too. Nikki is currently up to her ears in beach wedding season.

**Samantha Lambert** (Movies + TV) writes: “Three years now of living back in Florida, and it has been wonderful! Top faves about being back—having my family with me, beautiful beaches, clear blue/green Gulf of Mexico, laid back lifestyle, old friendships renewed and new ones made, fulfilling a dream of writing stories.”

**Clay Jones** (Cartoons) syndicates his cartoons daily to publications across the country. Clay was born in Fort Hood, Texas, and was raised in Louisiana, Illinois, California and Georgia. He currently lives in Fredericksburg, Virginia. His cartoons are featured on CNN and *The Week’s* Best Editorial Cartoons, and he was a finalist for the 2019 Herblock Prize.

Subscribe to the **Claytoonz** YouTube channel and watch Clay Jones create his masterpieces and demystify the whole cartooning thing.

## Opening Remarks CONTINUED...

And if all else fails, tap into your neighbor’s Wi-Fi and give it another try. Just make sure you switch back to your own thing before you go back to Googling Kim Kardashian’s Ass.

Which, as always, will result in lots of photographs of Kanye West.

Love,  
Editor Manson

## YOUR THOUGHTS AND COMMENTS

What a lovely thing you all are doing (“PFLAG Organizes in Niceville,” News from Beachcomberland, July 18-31 *Beachcomber*). Good job!

- Kathryn Gonzales

Thank you, Alaqua, for stepping in and taking care of these animals (“Alaqua to the Rescue Again,” News from Beachcomberland, July 18-31 *Beachcomber*).

- Sally Biedenbarn

Bodie is a gorgeous pup and his family is awesome (“Pet of the Issue,” July 18-31 *Beachcomber*). Double thumbs-up to the family for adopting a heartworm-positive dog. Heartworms are treatable, and more importantly, preventable with a monthly pill.

- Rebecca Rush

Dawn IS bright (“Here’s to Healthy Living, Golf and Boating” by Dawn Bright, July 18-31 *Beachcomber*).

- Bill Day

Yes (“Brace Yourselves...The Storm’s A-Comin’” by Charles Morgan III, July 18-31 *Beachcomber*)! Let the tourists know it’s coming so maybe they’ll stay home and save their money, and the roads won’t be parking lots.

- Teance Blackburn

The fastest route to economic disaster for the Gulf Coast would be to stop the tourists from coming here.

- William Schissler

I do believe there will be another major downturn—there always is. The economy is cyclical. I was told by “experts” in October 2016 that if Trump won, we would immediately go into a Great Depression...actually, the last two and a half years have proven his policies increased GDP from less than two percent to over three percent, and all economic numbers are better with the exception of the most important, which is debt. Neither party wants to pay down debt, because it makes all the numbers worse and makes them look bad, and the next administration look good.

If we don’t fix this, our country will go bankrupt. And when? I believe it will be within the next 10 years.

- Ron Adams

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# DeFuniak Springs Offers New Tourist Attraction

**City and state officials** will unveil a new attraction for heritage tourists on Friday, **Aug. 2**, at the DeFuniak Springs Visitors Center, located at 1162 Circle Drive, at 10:30 AM. The public is invited and encouraged to attend.

The attraction, funded with a \$49,500 grant from the Florida Division of Historical Resources, is comprised of a large 1884 map and story of the area's resort/campus opened in 1885 for an annual multi-week event called the Florida Chautauqua Assembly. The map identifies buildings and sites on the once-gated grounds for visitors to visit and to explore the contents of individual panels (also called interpretive panels) of information and photographs relating to that site.

"Our historic district is coveted by thousands of visitors annually because of its Victorian-era charm," said DeFuniak Springs Mayor **Bob Campbell**. "What many don't understand is that they are stepping onto a once-gated resort/campus which attracted as many as 4,000 people a day at the height of its popularity."

Thousands of people arrived at the resort daily from 1885 to 1928 during the annual assembly to learn about subjects in the areas of art, education, recreation and religion. Notable speakers and lecturers included abolitionist Harriet Beecher



Stowe, Democratic presidential nominee and orator William Jennings Bryan, Woodrow Wilson's vice-president Thomas Marshall, "Battle Hymn of the Republic" songwriter Julia Ward Howe, and American Red Cross founder Clara Barton.

Records show that Governor William McKinley was also invited by resort/campus leaders to speak at the assembly before he became president, but no

documents confirm whether he actually visited DeFuniak Springs.

Seventeen interpretive panels will be in place throughout the grounds for self-guided tours at the Aug. 2 grand opening. Tours begin at the Visitors Center with one grand panel showcasing the 1884 map of the resort/campus flanked by two other panels explaining the history of the Florida Chautauqua and its impact on American culture. Four 12-foot cast iron lighted lampposts frame the main exhibit.

The event will be comprised of a ribbon cutting, welcoming remarks by Mayor Campbell, acknowledgements to state and organization leaders and remarks by "The Honorable Wallace Bruce" (interpreted by Chuck Puckett of DeFuniak Springs), who was the longest-serving president of the Florida Chautauqua and served as President Benjamin Harrison's consul general to Edinburgh, Scotland.

"We are grateful to the Florida Division of Historical Resources for making this heritage tourism attraction possible," said Mayor Campbell. "We invite everyone to celebrate this historic moment and to be among the first to... walk in the footsteps of presidents, first ladies, American poets and other notables in American history."

- Christopher Mitchell

# FWB Medical Center Celebrates 45 Years

**Fort Walton Beach Medical Center (FWBMC)** officially opened its doors to receive patients on July 22, 1974, as a 237-bed hospital providing emergency services, labor and delivery, behavioral health and general medical/surgical care. FWBMC stood alone in its current location as a healthcare beacon providing much-needed advanced medical services.

Over the last 45 years, FWBMC has seen a great deal of change, not only in its physical structure, but also in the quality of care provided to the community and the accomplishments achieved. With each passing decade, FWBMC continues to grow and achieve monumental milestones:

In the early 1990s, HCA Healthcare purchased the hospital and its official name became Fort Walton Beach Medical Center. Rehabilitation Services opened on the fourth floor, helping stroke and joint replacement patients return to daily living activities.

In the early 2000s, the first open heart surgery was performed at FWBMC. Today, FWBMC remains the only hospital in the tri-county area qualified to perform open heart surgery.

In the mid-2000s, FWBMC opened the only Level II Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU) in the tri-county area. The NICU provides care for premature and critically ill babies without having to leave the area.

In the early 2010s, FWBMC started down the path of becoming a tertiary medical center for the region,



where people from all around the southeast would come for the quality care and specialized services being added.

In the mid-to-late 2010s FWBMC was well on its way to becoming the highest level, comprehensive healthcare facility in the tri-county area. Among recent honors, FWBMC was rated "A" for patient safety (2014-2018) and named one of the Top 100 General Hospitals in the nation (2016).

In 2018, the main ER was expanded to 40 exam rooms. A rooftop helipad and new 64-slice CT were added, too.

Today, Fort Walton Beach Medical Center is a tertiary center seeing patients all across the southeast, as well as in the local community. "We recognize this as an anniversary but also as a celebration and testimony to the many contributions made by our physicians, staff, volunteers and community and look forward to continuing to provide the most advanced, up-to-date quality health care," said FWBMC's **Mitch Mongell**.

"We embody our mission each and every day—above all else, we are committed to the care and improvement of human life."

- Denise Kendust



# Congress Gets a Little Ticked at 25-Year Lab Tests

By Carl Hiaasen, Tribune Content Agency

**An absolutely true** news item: The U.S. House of Representatives is seeking to investigate whether the Department of Defense used biowarfare laboratories for the possible “weaponization” of disease-carrying ticks between 1950-1975.

Classified Summary from Project Lyme, Phase One, dated Jan. 12, 1950, submitted from Biowarfare Lab 7-G at Fort Detrick, Maryland:

**Methodology:** Pursuant to DOD directives, approximately 177 live adult ticks were collected as potential candidates for war-time weaponization.

Sterile tweezers were used to capture the specimens, which came from local white-tailed deer, raccoons, skunks, beavers and a male Labrador retriever named Butterball, owned by one of the facility’s senior scientists.

The ticks were placed in a secure 50-gallon aquarium with a locking metal top. In addition, the glass walls of the aquarium were coated with canola oil to prevent the specimens from ascending.

**Initial observations:** The ticks have adjusted relatively well to captivity. For nutrition they are provided with healthy white laboratory rats. Although they avidly compete for space in the fur of their hosts, the ticks do not fight and occasionally appear to be socializing in pairs.

Once attached to the rats, the ticks feed for hours or even days without moving at all. They remain under observation at all times, although the tediousness



Congress wants to investigate attempts to conduct biowarfare using tick.

of this task has been burdensome for our staff scientists.

As a result, the Project Director has recruited several graduate students and prescribed mild amphetamines to keep them alert during their 12-hour shifts.

**Conclusion:** While it is too soon to know if a weaponization plan is feasible, one major concern is

the mobility of the ticks. They are slower and less agile than fleas or cockroaches, and more near-sighted than spiders.

As the project moves ahead, we feel this issue could be problematic.

Classified Summary from Project Lyme, Phase Two, dated June 7, 1962, submitted from Fort Detrick Biowarfare Labs 7-G and 7-H:

**Methodology:** Pursuant to DOD directives, approximately 12,566 post-larval and adult ticks are being studied as potential candidates for war-time weaponization.

After 12 years, the breeding program has produced a strain of fertile specimens well suited to transmit either Lyme disease or Rocky Mountain spotted fever. The ticks are kept in several secure 100-gallon aquariums. For nutrition, we provide wild rats from the subway system of Lower Manhattan.

**Observations:** Unfortunately, despite continual genetic modifications, we have been unable to improve the speed or the vision of the ticks. They remain incredibly slow, and after feeding they exhibit lethargic qualities that would limit their usefulness in biowarfare.

While the Assistant Project Director believes our current specimens are slightly more aggressive than previous generations, it is, frankly, a difficult thing to prove. Such behavioral changes would be easier to document if only the ticks were more active.

**Conclusion:** At this point in our research, it is not possible to state that the mass dispersal of disease-bearing ticks would be effective during war. The DOD should re-assess whether the cost of continuing this study would be worth the outcome.





# Addendum to the End

By Charles Morgan III

**This will serve** to abridge previous plans regarding the ceremony leading up to my demise. This is a forward look into a death festival I would consider appropriate.

The not too far future...

I spent three days going through an “executive physical.” The results were not mixed. I received diagnoses of 11 different diseases and they all

## Carl Hiaasen CONTINUED...

Moreover, the task of staring all day at tiny blood-sucking arachnids has impacted staff morale here at the laboratory, which is experiencing higher-than-usual turnover. Recruiting new entomologists and epidemiologists will be challenging, and expensive.

Our remaining scientists all share serious doubts about the viability of this project.

Classified Summary from Project Lyme, Final Phase, dated September 12, 1975, submitted from Fort Detrick Biowarfare Labs 7-G, 7-H, 7-I, 7-J:

Methodology: Pursuant to DOD directives, approximately 133,507 ticks in all stages of development were being studied for potential weaponization.

They were held in several humongous containers along with a variety of uncomfortable mammals. Unpaid high-school biology students watched the ticks and took notes, in exchange for “community-service” hours on their transcripts.

Observations: Attempts to create a mutant strain of swift, marauding ticks have ended in failure. After 25 years and many altered generations, there’s been no perceptible change in the speed or attitude of disease-carrying specimens.

The ticks are still ridiculously slow, and indiscriminate in their choice of hosts. Most data suggests they would just as soon bite a squirrel or a wombat as bite a human.

Conclusion: Because of defunding and staff attrition, Project Lyme has been terminated. All research documents will remain secret and classified, especially that whacked-out proposal to drop infected pregnant ticks from hot-air balloons over the Kremlin.

The 133,507 lab specimens here at Fort Detrick will be disposed of as soon as we can find someone, anyone, willing to do the job. We strongly recommend a no-bid contract.

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ended in “tosis” or “titis.” I have several types of dementia and two rare tropical plagues. I was scheduled for eight appointments with various types of surgeons.

Those appointments won’t be necessary.

I’m headed to a small island in the northern Bahamas. I’m waiting for a storm. I’m readying a 23-foot Man-o-War boat. It will be outfitted with a fighting chair harness—hooked to the console—so that I can adequately navigate the boat.

I’m getting supplies. They include a sack of guavas, sour sop, mangos, and passion fruit. I’ll need a gallon of coconut water, a bottle of Matusalem rum, a dozen Montecristo #2 cigars, a box of red Marlboros, 1/4 ounce of Peruvian cocaine and three grams of heroin (China White, “the healthful #4”).

The heroin is the trickiest item, but Dang knows a guy outside of Bangkok. There is a secret portal available to Amazon Prime members (you have to go down a rabbit hole). I need a snorkel and mask, and a clean pair of underwear.

Though I haven’t had an alcoholic drink or used illicit drugs in half a lifetime, I’d be an idiot not to give it a whirl at my age, in my condition.

I’m waiting for a storm. The next category five hurricane that gets in these warm waters won’t be far off. I’m taking the Albury boat with the single outboard engine directly into Hubert or whatever its name will be. I’m looking for a system with a barometric pressure below 28.

I’ll carry a satellite phone with a video uplink to document what will likely be my final voyage. It’s been three decades since I provided reportage for the Weather Channel. This will be a report few people will be able to forget.

My previous plans of the ultimate farewell involved being ripped to pieces by rampaging sharks, with me covered in blood and carcasses of black fin tuna. This ending might include being eaten up by sharks—but maybe not.

The change in plans is, in part, because getting mutilated by sharks has become almost commonplace. The gruesomeness of it has worn off.

But you can bet you ass on one thing. This waltz with death will be remembered long after being waylaid by some modern disease.

If the alternative is gobbling prescription medicines, lying in a hospital bed with my ass hanging out of a gown and paper slippers on my feet, I’ll take the hurricane—or the sharks—or an unsuccessful cruise into the maw of a giant storm with 40-foot seas in a 23-foot boat AND getting eat up by sharks.

Maybe, just maybe, I make it through the storm and the shark infested waters. And maybe I end up on some off-the-chain deserted island with wild guava trees. And maybe nobody ever finds me.

At least people would be talking about it. When anyone asks my children or grandkids what happened to me, they could come up with a great story.

In the end, that’s really all we leave behind. Stories.





## ART CLASSES & WORKSHOPS

**ARTS AND DESIGN SOCIETY (ADSO) Classes at the Art Center, Fort Walton Beach.** More info at [artsdesignsociety.org](http://artsdesignsociety.org).

**Mondays and Wednesdays. Clay and Pottery Open Studio,** 9 AM-noon both days and 6:30-9 PM Mondays. Beginners welcome. Cost for morning classes with **Pat Basque and Sherry Cooler** is \$15 (\$12 for ADSO members). Cost for Monday evening class with **Marcy Eady** is \$15 (\$12 for ADSO members). Materials and firing included.

**Tuesdays. Art for Children Ages 6-12,** 4-5:30 PM. **Marcy Eady** teaches about the masters and their styles using principles of basic drawing, painting and sculpture. Media vary each week. Cost per month is \$70 (\$60 for ADSO members). All supplies included.

**Tuesdays. Oil Painting with Dale Gauvin,** 9 AM-1 PM. Learn the Chiaroscuro technique favored by the old masters. Cost is \$90 (\$80 for ADSO members).

**Tuesdays. Open Studio,** 7-9:30 PM. Bring your own supplies (no pottery) and work with other Beachcomberland artists. Cost is \$12 (\$10 for ADSO members). Call Marcy at 850-585-4967 by 5:30 p.m. to ensure access.

**Aug. 8, 15, 22 and 29. "Acrylics for Everyone" Series with Hannah Flynn,** 6-8:30 PM. After learning basic techniques, students will create their own original acrylic paintings. Cost for the four-session workshop is \$135 (\$120 for ADSO members). Students provide their own materials—supply list available at the ADSO office.



**Aug. 19-23. "Experimenting with Watercolor" with Carol Dickson,** 1-4 PM. Students will explore the use of different paints, brushes, and paper. Each day a different subject will be presented for learning different techniques using watercolor. The students will go home with a finished painting each day. For beginning through advanced. Cost is \$145 (\$130 for ADSO members). Bring your own paints and brushes, or use supplies provided by Ms. Dickson. All paper will be provided. Learn more about the instructor at [www.CarolDicksonCreations.com](http://www.CarolDicksonCreations.com).

**Oct. 4-6. "Bigger, Faster, Fresher, Looser Abstracts" Workshop with David M. Kessler,** 9 AM-4 PM. "Learn to paint more freely!" Registration deadline is Wednesday, **Sept. 4.** Cost is \$350 (\$320 for ADSO members). Students provide their own materials—supply list available at the ADSO office. Learn more about the artist at [www.davidkessler.com](http://www.davidkessler.com).

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## ART EVENTS

**THROUGH AUG. 2. ARTS AND DESIGN SOCIETY'S (ADSO) "STILL LIFE AS IT HAPPENS SHOW" AT THE ART CENTER, FORT WALTON BEACH**  
Enjoy art that captures moments frozen in time.

**THROUGH AUG. 31. ADSO WINDOW GALLERY DISPLAY AT THE ART CENTER, FORT WALTON BEACH**



To provide a convenient art gallery for the community, ADSO presents month-long FREE exhibits in their studio windows, facing First Street. The August spotlight shines on **Dale Gauvin** and his students. Mr. Gauvin teaches the "Old Masters" and other techniques at ADSO every Tuesday.

**THROUGH AUG. 31. SHARON LONG EXHIBIT AT COASTAL BRANCH LIBRARY, SANTA ROSA BEACH**



**ELEGANCE IN WHITE by Sharon Long.** Sharon Long is a local watercolor artist, instructor and publisher who has lived in the area for 30 years. Ms. Long's specially designed palette system simplifies the process of creating rich, vivid colors and strong values. Through

painting and teaching, she shares her inspirations from her life of travel with her husband Robert.

Sharon credits Robert for introducing her to watercolor techniques.

They traveled five months out of every year for 18 years, teaching and sharing everything they know about their art form. "Courtyards of New Orleans," a series Robert painted, is included in this exhibit.

Since Robert passed away in 2008, Sharon continues with their innovative style and easy-to-follow instructions that give both novice and experienced painters confidence when working with watercolor.

Her vibrant paintings are in public and private collections internationally. You can reach her for information, classroom opportunities and commissions at [sharon2art@aol.com](mailto:sharon2art@aol.com).

- Nan Ream

**THROUGH SEPT. 30. THE FOSTER GALLERY'S FALL ROTATION IN GRAND BOULEVARD TOWN CENTER, MIRAMAR BEACH**

Artists include **Melody Bogle, Gayle Campbell, Marscha Cavaliere, Donnelle Clark, Lee Clark, Skip Deems, Rebecca Dier Hart, Sandra Horne, Iva Jazayeri, Linda Kernick, Jason Lindblad, Merry Beth Myrick, William Polley, Mary Redmann, Kathleen Schumacher, Jenna Varney, and Martin Zurla.** Call 850-837-3037 or visit [CulturalArtsAlliance.com](http://CulturalArtsAlliance.com) for more info.

**THROUGH OCT. 27. THE FOSTER GALLERY'S FALL ROTATION IN THE RUSKIN PLACE ARTIST COLONY, SEASIDE**

Artists include **Marscha Cavaliere, Donnelle Clark, Lee Clark, Patrick Connolly, Skip Deems, Joyful Enriquez, Linda Kernick, Marian Pacsuta, Mary Redmann, The Salty Sparrow, Jenna Varney, and Krista Vind.** Opening reception Wednesday, **Aug. 14,** 5-7 PM. Call 850-837-3037 or visit [CulturalArtsAlliance.com](http://CulturalArtsAlliance.com) for more info.

**THROUGH FEB. 14, 2020. ROSEMARY BEACH SCULPTURE EXHIBITION**

The second biennial juried art show of contemporary outdoor sculpture along Scenic Highway 30A includes 16 sculptures by 16 artists. More at [rosemarybeachsculpture.com](http://rosemarybeachsculpture.com).

**OPENS AUG. 6. ADSO'S "PRIMARILY RED" SHOW AT THE ART CENTER, FORT WALTON BEACH**

Through **Sept. 2.** Art in multiple mediums that are (at least) 75 percent red. Reception Friday, **Aug. 9,** 6-8 PM.

**AUG. 16. MELANIE MOORE'S "BOTANICAL DREAMSCAPES" AT ENLIGHTENED STUDIOS, FORT WALTON BEACH**



Join Ms. Moore starting at 7 PM for a one-woman show and art sale featuring contemporary and colorful watercolor explorations of the natural world.

**SEPT. 14. ADSO ARTISTS' STUDIOS TOUR AT THE ART CENTER, FORT WALTON BEACH**

Beginning at 9 AM, participants will carpool to five different studios in the FWB area, where

they will meet the artists, see their spaces, and learn how they work. The tour will end at approximately 3 PM at ADSO with refreshments and door prizes. And, yes, there will be a lunch break in there somewhere.

Cost is \$25 (\$20 for ADSO members). Space is limited, so make your (paid) reservation by **Sept. 1.** Call 850-244-1271 for more info.

## ART GALLERIES

**ADARO ART** features works from 2015 South Walton Artist of the Year Juan Francisco Adaro, as well as other well-known local and international artists. Open daily from 10 AM to 5 PM. Now located in the Shops at the Hub, 7000 E. Scenic Highway 30A, Suite 21, Watersound, 561-985-5767. Email [adaro.art@gmail.com](mailto:adaro.art@gmail.com) or visit [adaroart.com](http://adaroart.com) for more info.

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**ARTS AND DESIGN SOCIETY** Features art shows by local and regional artists. Open afternoons Tuesday through Saturday. Shows change monthly. Art classes and workshops in various media. 17 First Street SE, Fort Walton Beach. 850-244-1271. [www.artsdesignsociety.org](http://www.artsdesignsociety.org).

**CHROMA STUDIO & GALLERY** features the art of South Walton's 2018 Artist of the Year **Kathleen Broaderick.** Browse Kathleen's original oil paintings in the gallery or take a boutique paint class in Kathleen's studio. Kathleen offers oil painting workshops featuring her energetic, loose and colorful style, as well as acrylic paint classes for artists and non-artists alike. The CHROMA Studio & Gallery is a place where guests will feel comfortable expressing themselves and finding joy in art. CHROMA is located at 3925 West County Highway 30A in Santa Rosa Beach (just west of Goatfeathers restaurant). Visit [www.CHROMA30A.com](http://www.CHROMA30A.com) or call 1-844-5-CHROMA for more information.

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**THE JUSTIN GAFFREY GALLERY** features the coastal contemporary paintings and sculptures of local artist Justin Gaffrey. Visit the gallery to browse through Justin's coastal landscape, floral, and still-life paintings or stroll through the sculpture garden to view the various welded steel sculptures. Justin is most recognized for his heavily textured, heavy bodied acrylic,



palette knife paintings of the local landscape, florals, and wildlife. The Justin Gaffrey Gallery is located at 21 Blue Gulf Drive along Scenic highway 30A in Blue Mountain Beach. Visit [justingaffrey.com](http://justingaffrey.com) or stop by the gallery Monday through Saturday from 10 AM to 6 PM. Follow the Justin Gaffrey Gallery on Facebook and Instagram to see Justin's most recent creations.

**MARY HONG GALLERY** Located in Grayton Beach (Shops of Grayton), Destin (next to Ulta and Michael's), Nashville (4th and Union next to DoubleTree Hotel) and on Magazine Street in New Orleans. Mary Hong, the 2014 South Walton Artist of the Year, has been featured in over 10 publications and has appeared on *Emeril's Florida* TV show and HGTV's *House Hunters*. Mary's take on glass art incorporates the use of repurposed glass on painted canvas. She and her team offer classes at The Shard Shop, located adjacent to or inside her gallery locations. Classes are offered four to five times a day, and there is an extensive retail section full of thousands of pounds of glorious glass and art kits to take your ShardWorx on the go. We host parties and team events, too. Grayton Beach gallery open seven days a week, 9:30 AM-5 PM 850-231-1416. [MaryHongStudio.com](http://MaryHongStudio.com).

**THE SHARD SHOP** open seven days a week, 9:15 AM-4 PM. 850-231-0544. [ShardShop.com/Grayton](http://ShardShop.com/Grayton). Destin gallery and Shard Shop open seven days a week, 9 AM-7 PM. 850-842-4440. [ShardShop.com/Destin](http://ShardShop.com/Destin).

**MATTIE KELLY ART GALLERIES AT NORTHWEST FLORIDA STATE COLLEGE** The Arts Center Galleries at Northwest Florida State College in Niceville encompass two galleries showcasing 20 different international,

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## CALL TO ARTISTS

### Arts and Design Society's "Primarily Red" Show

ADSO is calling all artists to participate. All art in any medium must be 75 percent red. Cash awards! Turn in work Saturday, **Aug. 3**, 1-4 PM, and Monday, **Aug. 5**, 9 AM-noon. Visit [artsdesignsociety.org](http://artsdesignsociety.org) or call 850-244-1271 for more info.

### Northwest Florida Fair Fine Arts Show for Adults and Students

ADSO invites all artists to participate in the show, happening **Sept. 24-28**. Cash awards! Turn in work Friday, **Sept. 20**, noon-5 PM, and Saturday, **Sept. 21**, 9 AM-noon. Entry fee for adults is \$30 per piece, up to five pieces; for high school and middle school students, \$2 per piece, up to five pieces. Northwest Florida State College Professor of Fine Arts **Stephen Phillips** will judge the adult art. Visit [artsdesignsociety.org](http://artsdesignsociety.org) for a copy of the entry form, and call 850-244-1271 for more info.



Congratulations, Natalia Light! Her oil painting "Nobody's Watching" took second place in the Arts and Design Society's recent "Still Life, as It Happens show." Other honorees included James Chapman, first place for his photograph "Take Off"; Terry Johnston, third place for her acrylic "Time"; Coleman Simmons, honorable mention for his oil "Still Life Erected"; and Marie Chapman, honorable mention for her acrylic "Running On."

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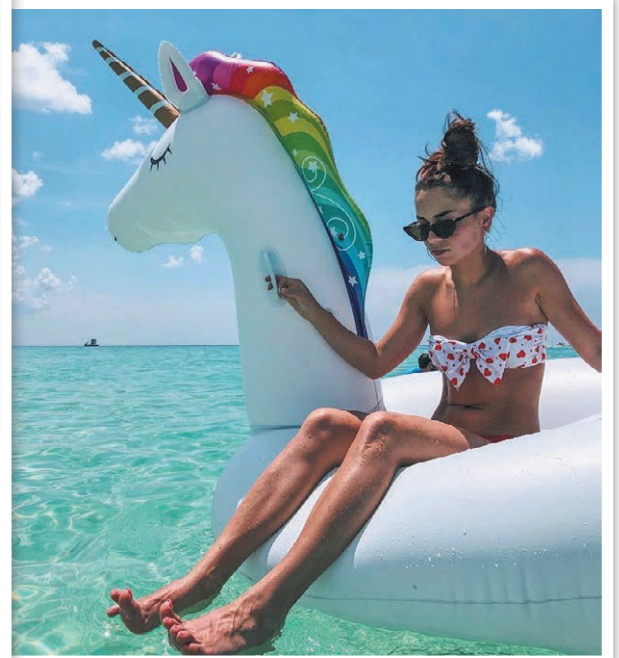
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# Beachcomber Profiles\* - Marvin Lee

**HOMETOWN:** I consider Fort Walton Beach my hometown. I've been here since the mid-'80s on and off.

**PROFESSION:** Musician.

**AGE:** Somewhere in the 50s...middle-aged white guy.

**HOBBIES:** Photography/video.

**RECENT ACCOMPLISHMENTS:** Self-produced an album of original acoustic music titled *One*. CDs are available for sale at live shows or Spotify by searching for **Marvin Lee One**.

**PROFILE:** I have the good fortune to make a modest living playing music in one of the most beautiful places on the planet. Most places you will find me are within sight of the Gulf of Mexico. I've played for thousands of people, and seeing them smile is what my life is about. I think there is something magic about the fact that music can cross so many cultures and generations.

I play a wide variety of cover songs that span decades. It is not uncommon to go from Gershwin to CCR to Dwight

Yoakam to Otis Redding to Cage the Elephant. You can do that here, because Northwest Florida sits at the crossroads of so many musical influences. I try to tap into the diverse taste of deep southern audiences in the covers that I do and the originals I write.

I believe this area is ripe to break out as a "birthplace" musical region, and I hope to see that happen in my lifetime. I play a self-created style of guitar called frailing, which is a percussive technique that is derivative of old style claw-hammer banjo. I often play out with my wife Bri accompanying me on bongo-cajon.

**QUOTE:** "Music is probably the only real magic I have encountered in my life. There's not some trick involved with it." – Tom Petty

**FAVORITE FREE PUBLICATION:** *Beachcomber!* With a cold libation.

*Marvin Lee performs Tuesdays from 4 to 8 PM at Al's Beach Club & Burger Bar on the Okaloosa Island Boardwalk.*

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# The Record That Changed My Life – Aly Bockler

It was 34 years ago, the summer of 1985, when I first heard the album that would change my life. Nine tracks of unadulterated magic, a masterpiece, my musical doctrine... **Purple Rain** by **Prince and the Revolution**.

I was 10 years old when *Purple Rain* hit the shelves, shrouded in controversy over Prince's naughty lyrics about a girl named Nikki masturbating with a magazine. For weeks, the nightly news told parents around the world that kids should never listen to the smut soundtrack that was *Purple Rain*. My dad heard that warning loud and clear, and despite my promises of forever doing my chores and never talking back, he wasn't budging.

My mom, on the other hand, always supported my love for rock 'n roll—I

mean, she bought me my first electric guitar and amp behind my father's back when I was eight because I told her I knew deep down I could play. So on a hot summer day in Illinois, my mom and I were shopping at Venture when she laid out an offer I could not refuse:

"I'll buy you the *Purple Rain* soundtrack, if you promise to never let your dad know that I bought it and never play it where he can hear it, or we're dead."

Deal. Done. Sold to the 10-year-old girl in the parachute pants. Keeping my promise, I only listened to the record on the lowest volume, which was painful because all I wanted to do was crank it up. But quiet Prince was better than no Prince at all.

From the first words, *Dearly beloved...*, Prince takes our ticket, straps us in and unleashes us on a sexy romp of guitar genius. His solos are sick, without a doubt my very favorite guitarist that ever shredded a string. In my youthful mind, I didn't always understand what Prince was singing about, but sexiness oozed from every note, and the wild child in me knew I had found my sound.

For 34 years, this has remained my favorite, and the song "Purple Rain" has made me cry purple tears of just about every emotion. This album changed my life beyond the music. The cover features a purple motorcycle that fueled my lifelong dream (now achieved) to ride like a badass on two wheels. And it was the first time I ever heard the word "computer"—on the track "Computer Blue," where Wendy and Lisa seduce us into a synth-funk buzz that just makes ya wanna purify yourself in the waters of Lake Minnetonka!



And a special thank you to my mom for always breaking the rules for rock 'n roll. Had she not snuck behind my father's back buying guitars and this record, I might not play in the band Conjugal Visit or be asked to write about *Purple Rain*, the album that changed my life.

*Aly Bockler is the host of The Morning Alternative on 103.1 The Blaze. She'll be co-hosting the Beachcomber Music Awards on Aug. 26, and her band Conjugal Visit is nominated for Best Cover Band.*

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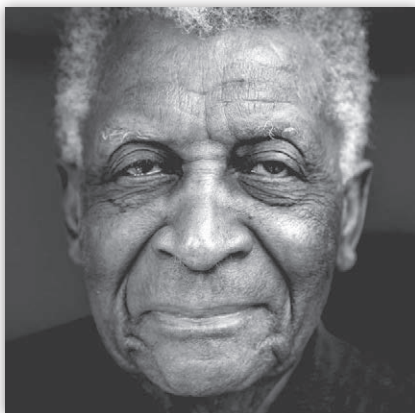


# Music > The Pauseandplay.com Record Roundup

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## Abdullah Ibrahim

*The Balance*  
Gearbox

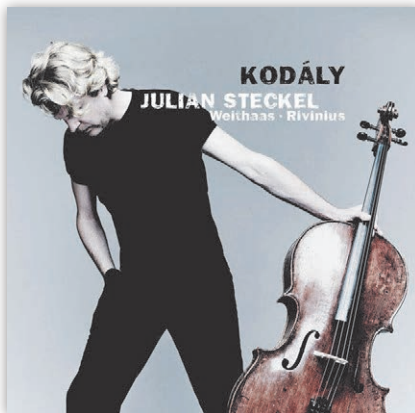


South African jazz pianist and composer Abdullah Ibrahim will be 85 on October 9. He's been recording since 1960. Apartheid led him to spend a lot of his life outside his native country, so he's lived a lot of places and recorded with just about everybody. For *The Balance*, Ibrahim relies on a septet of longtime musical colleagues (Ekaya), loading up with three saxes, flutes, two double basses, harmonica, drums and trombone. The result is 10 tracks (in just over 40 minutes!) that simply do not waste your time. It's fast, dance-y, heady, and much happier than you might expect.

- Bruce Collier

## Julian Steckel

*Kodaly*  
CAvi



German classical cellist Julian Steckel pays tribute here to Hungarian violinist/composer/educator Zoltan Kodaly (1882-1967). The all-Kodaly album offers seven tracks—a sonatina, sonata, and duo for cello, variously with violin or piano. Kodaly reportedly wrote some challenging stuff, and along the way developed a teaching method that bears his name. Steckel, himself an educator, is known for delving deep into the pieces he plays. His performances here have both strength and purity of tone, and an ease and sweetness that makes them all the more accessible to a casual listener like me. Maestro Kodaly is well served here.

- Bruce Collier

## A Sunday Fire

*An Open Letter*  
Independent



This high-energy rock band from Mobile, Alabama, has an undeniable punk backbone. *An Open Letter* is the follow-up to their 2017 debut, and it's obvious from the first few minutes that the band took their time to craft this full-length into something mighty special. One of the hardest tasks with this type of music is balancing a pristine, deliberate recording with one that captures the roaring energy of their punk influences. It requires a certain amount of patience and fearlessness to find that balance, and *A Sunday Fire* is triumphant in that goal. The band just wrapped up an impressive West Coast tour, and I look forward to seeing what they put their sights on next.

- Nikki Hedrick

## Sami Linna

*Sami Linna Quartet*  
Timmion



Finnish jazz guitarist and leader Sami Linna joins with Jussi Kannaste (sax), Mikko Heleva (organ) and Dana Hall (drums) for this quartet album. Linna is reportedly in the process of earning a doctorate in music, but obviously he's been taking study breaks. Scandinavian jazz can be full of surprises and twists on traditional forms. This five-track album clocks in at under 38 minutes; still, nobody's rushing things. Linna has been playing for a while, and he's not afraid to time-travel. There's strolling, bluesy stuff ("Dreamville") some shimmering and soulful '70s fare ("Black Mountain") and plenty of opportunities for solo passages ("Umoya").

- Bruce Collier

## The Strangers

*Brotherhood Built This*  
Elevated Underground



From collaboration births friendship, community and art. At their heart, The Strangers are about giving a voice to the continually growing batch of hip-hop visionaries with roots right here. That all might make *Brotherhood Built This* seem like it could be fractured—the product of many voices and ideas—but thanks to their extraordinary talents, this full-length album beautifully excels at being a fluid combination of talents. A well-rounded addition to Elevated Underground's extensive catalog.

- Nikki Hedrick

## EDITOR'S CHOICE

### Art Neville

*The Specialty Recordings 1956-58*  
Specialty



Twenty tracks of early Art, sure to appeal to anyone who digs, say, Fats Domino (pretty much everyone). "Cha Dooky-Doo" is probably the best known of these, but I also savor the two tributes to the music I love—"Let's Rock" and "That Old Time Rock 'N' Roll." (Yes, even in the mid-to-late '50s, folks were trotting out the nostalgia.) And who can resist another rendition of "Rockin' Pneumonia and the Boogie-Woogie Flu"? Not me.

- Chris Manson



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THURSDAY, AUG. 1

**AJ’S, Destin**  
WILL & LINDA, 4:30 PM (Bimini Stage)  
CHASIN’ JAYMIE, 6 PM (Tiki Stage)  
DJ BOOM, 8 PM  
HIGH DEMAND, 9:30 PM (Bimini Stage)

**AJ’S ON THE BAYOU, Fort Walton Beach**  
**Fort Walton Beach**  
CHRIS HAYES, 5-9 PM

**AL’S BEACH CLUB & BURGER BAR, Okaloosa Island, ALSBEACHCLUB.COM**  
JAMEL BOAST, 5-9 PM  
*Beach Luau Party*

**BAXTER’S BAR & GRILLE, Fort Walton Beach**  
Karaoke, 8-10 PM

**CAMILLE’S, Destin, CamillesAtCrystalBeach.com**  
DEAN SADOWSKI, 3-5 PM

**CAPT. DAVE’S ON THE GULF, Destin, 850-837-2627**  
BRANDON DAY, 5-9 PM

**FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin, 850-424-6650**  
TODD SIMPSON & MOJO CHILD, 7 PM

**GOATFEATHERS, Santa Rosa Beach**  
HOPE GIVEN, 5-8 PM

**HARBORWALK VILLAGE, Destin, HarborWalkVillage.com**  
GIRLS ROCK, 7 PM

**HAVANA BEACH BAR AND GRILL, Rosemary Beach**  
MICHAEL RORAH, 6:30-10:30 PM

**LUCY BUFFETT’S LULU’S, Destin, lulubuffett.com/destin**  
RONNIE PRESLEY, 5 PM

**MCGUIRE’S IRISH PUB, Destin**  
ROB ROMANS, 9 PM

**PROPS ALE HOUSE, Niceville**  
DONNIE MORGAN, 7-10 PM

**REDD’S FUELING STATION, Santa Rosa Beach, ReddsFuel.com**  
REDD THE SINGING BARTENDER, 7-10 PM

**RED FISH TACO, Blue Mountain Beach**  
FORREST WILLIAMS BAND, 8-11 PM  
*Ladies Night*

**RUTH’S CHRIS STEAK HOUSE, Destin, RuthsChrisDestin.com**  
CHERYL JONES, 6-9 PM (Courtyard)  
MICHAEL J THOMAS, 6:30-9 PM (Main Bar and Dining Room)

**SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island**  
BILL GARRETT, 8 PM-Midnight

**30AVENUE, Inlet Beach**  
QWERTY, 6-9 PM

**VINNY MCGUIRE’S, Destin**  
BOB CUSHING, 6 PM

**VINYL MUSIC HALL, Pensacola**  
COREY SMITH

FRIDAY, AUG. 2

**AJ’S, Destin**  
GOOD ‘NUFF, 4:30 PM (Bimini Stage)  
AUSTIN JENNINGS, 6 PM (Tiki Stage)  
DJ BOOM, 8 PM  
HIGH DEMAND, 9:30 PM (Bimini Stage)

**AL’S BEACH CLUB & BURGER BAR, Okaloosa Island, ALSBEACHCLUB.COM**  
TYLER LIVINGSTON AND THE ABSOLUTES, 8-11:59 PM

**BAXTER’S BAR & GRILLE, Fort Walton Beach**  
Open Mic Night with COLE JORDAN, 8 PM

**ENLIGHTENED STUDIOS, Fort Walton Beach**  
JONATHAN RIGGI & WYATT JAMES, 7-10 PM  
*Sharon Worn Gallery Night from 7 to 9.*

**FOGHORN’S, Panama City Beach**  
GROUP THERAPY, 9 PM-1 AM

**FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin, 850-424-6650**  
TODD SIMPSON & MOJO CHILD, 8 PM

**HAVANA BEACH BAR AND GRILL, Rosemary Beach**  
MICHAEL RORAH, 6:30-10:30 PM

**LUCY BUFFETT’S LULU’S, Destin, lulubuffett.com/destin**  
COCONUT RADIO, 5 PM

**MCGUIRE’S IRISH PUB, Destin**  
ROB ROMANS, 9 PM

**MODICA MARKET, Seaside**  
THE STEENOS, 5-7 PM

**REDD’S FUELING STATION, Santa Rosa Beach, ReddsFuel.com**  
BACKSLIDERS, 7:30-10:30 PM

**RUTH’S CHRIS STEAK HOUSE, Destin, RuthsChrisDestin.com**  
SHANE CURLE, 6-9 PM (Courtyard)  
MICHAEL J THOMAS, 6:30-9 PM (Main Bar and Dining Room)

**SLICK MICK’S, Fort Walton Beach**  
BRANDON DAY, 6:30-9:30 PM

**SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island**  
CHRIS HAYES, 8 PM-Midnight

**30AVENUE, Inlet Beach**  
ALEXA BURROUGHS, 6-9 PM

**TWISTED GRAPE CAFÉ & WINE BAR, Shalmar, 850-651-5100**  
RICK ESGUERRA, 6-9 PM

**VINNY MCGUIRE’S, Destin**  
BOB CUSHING, 6 PM

**VINYL MUSIC HALL, Pensacola**  
VAGRANTS

SATURDAY, AUG. 3

**AJ’S, Destin**  
WILL & LINDA, 4:30 PM (Bimini Stage)  
AUSTIN JENNINGS, 6 PM (Tiki Stage)  
DJ SERPENT, 8 PM  
HIGH DEMAND, 9:30 PM (Bimini Stage)  
HORSESHOE KITTY, 10 PM (Live Street Party Concert)

**AJ’S ON THE BAYOU, Fort Walton Beach**  
BRANDON DAY, 1-5 PM

**AL’S BEACH CLUB & BURGER BAR, Okaloosa Island, ALSBEACHCLUB.COM**  
ROSHAMBO, 8-11:59 PM

**ENLIGHTENED STUDIOS, Fort Walton Beach**  
GCMA Northwest Florida Metal Fest, 4 PM-Midnight

**FOGHORN’S, Panama City Beach**  
GROUP THERAPY, 9 PM-1 AM

**FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin, 850-424-6650**  
CATALYST, 8 PM

**HARBORWALK VILLAGE, Destin, HarborWalkVillage.com**  
TYLER MAC BAND, 7 PM  
*Rock the Docks*

**HAVANA BEACH BAR AND GRILL, Rosemary Beach**  
MICHAEL RORAH, 6:30-10:30 PM

**JIMMY BUFFETT’S MARGARITAVILLE, HarborWalk Village**  
BOB CUSHING, 6 PM

**LUCY BUFFETT’S LULU’S, Destin, lulubuffett.com/destin**  
HOWLIN’ JACK, 5 PM

**MCGUIRE’S IRISH PUB, Destin**  
ROB ROMANS, 9 PM

**REDD’S FUELING STATION, Santa Rosa Beach, ReddsFuel.com**  
REDD THE SINGING BARTENDER, 7-10 PM

**RUTH’S CHRIS STEAK HOUSE, Destin, RuthsChrisDestin.com**  
SHANE CURLE, 6-9 PM (Courtyard)  
MICHAEL J THOMAS, 6-9 PM (East Bar)

**SANDDOLLAR LOUNGE, WHITE SANDS BOWLING CENTER, Fort Walton Beach**  
BOBBYD, 7-10 PM

**SLICK MICK’S, Fort Walton Beach**  
COLBY BRANSON, 6:30-9:30 PM

**SUNDESTIN RESORT, Destin**  
DONNIE MORGAN, Noon-4 PM

**SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island**  
CHRIS HAYES, 8 PM-Midnight

**TWISTED GRAPE CAFÉ & WINE BAR, Shalmar, 850-651-5100**  
Jazz with BENGHAZI GRESHAM, 6-9 PM

**THE VILLAGE OF BAYTOWNE WHARF, Sandestin, BaytowneWharf.com**  
JESSIE RITTER, 7-9 PM

SUNDAY, AUG. 4

**AJ’S, Destin**  
JONES AND COMPANY, 4 PM (Bimini Stage)  
DJ DAN DAVIS, 4 PM  
JB DYESS, 6 PM (Tiki Stage)  
BLACK EYED BLONDE, 9:30 PM (Bimini Stage)

**AJ’S ON THE BAYOU, Fort Walton Beach**  
GROUP THERAPY, 6-10 PM

**AL’S BEACH CLUB & BURGER BAR, Okaloosa Island, ALSBEACHCLUB.COM**  
BRANDON DAY, 5-9 PM

**CAMILLE’S, Destin, CamillesAtCrystalBeach.com**  
DEAN SADOWSKI, 10 AM-Noon

**ENLIGHTENED STUDIOS, Fort Walton Beach**  
HOPE GIVEN, 2-5 PM

**FAITH ASSEMBLY CHURCH, Miramar Beach**  
DONNIE SUNDAL – FLY DENTS – PHIL CALHOUN – TAREVA HENDERSON BOONE – SHANNON WALLACE, et al., 11 AM

**FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin, 850-424-6650**  
Jazz Jam with MATT MCCARTY, 6 PM

**LOCAL CATCH, Santa Rosa Beach**  
FORREST WILLIAMS BAND, 4-7 PM  
*Sunday Funday*

**LUCY BUFFETT’S LULU’S, Destin, lulubuffett.com/destin**  
RICK WILSON, 5 PM

**MCGUIRE’S IRISH PUB, Destin**  
ROB ROMANS, 8 PM

**POMPANO JOE’S, Miramar Beach**  
BOBBYD, 2-5 PM

**STINKY’S FISH CAMP, Santa Rosa Beach**  
THE STEENOS with FRANKO “WASHBOARD” JACKSON, 11 AM-2 PM

**SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island**  
CHRIS HAYES, 8 PM-Midnight

**TRIPP TIDE TIKI BAR AT THE ISLAND HOTEL, Okaloosa Island**  
BOB CUSHING, 5 PM

**VINYL MUSIC HALL, Pensacola**  
An Acoustic Evening with Anberlin’s STEPHEN CHRISTIAN & CHRISTIAN McALHANEY

MONDAY, AUG. 5

**AJ’S, Destin**  
WILL & LINDA, 4:30 PM (Bimini Stage)  
JASON CLARK, 6 PM (Tiki Stage)  
DJ SERPENT, 8 PM  
BLACK EYED BLONDE, 9:30 PM (Bimini Stage)

**FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin, 850-424-6650**  
Blues Jam, 7 PM

**GOATFEATHERS, Santa Rosa Beach**  
HOPE GIVEN, 5-8 PM

**LUCY BUFFETT’S LULU’S, Destin, lulubuffett.com/destin**  
BOUKOU GROOVE, 5 PM

**SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island**  
CHRIS HAYES, 8 PM-Midnight

**VINNY MCGUIRE’S, Destin**  
BOB CUSHING, 6 PM

TUESDAY, AUG. 6

**AJ’S, Destin**  
JB DYESS, 4:30 PM (Bimini Stage)  
CHASING JAYMIE, 6 PM (Tiki Stage)  
DJ DAN DAVIS, 8 PM  
BLINK 180TRUE – Blink 182 Tribute Band, 9 PM (Jumbotron Stage)  
BLACK EYED BLONDE, 9:30 PM (Bimini Stage)

**AL’S BEACH CLUB & BURGER BAR, Okaloosa Island, ALSBEACHCLUB.COM**  
MARVIN LEE, 4-8 PM  
*Stick around for tonight’s FREE Movie on the Beach at 8.*

**CAMILLE’S, Destin, CamillesAtCrystalBeach.com**  
TOM DeVOURSNEY, 3-5 PM

**FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin, 850-424-6650**  
CAT RHODES & THE TRUTH, 7 PM

**HOG’S BREATH, Destin**  
BRANDON DAY, 5-9 PM





**LA PAZ, Destin, LaPazDestin.com**  
SHANE CURLE, 6-9 PM  
*Taco Tuesday*

**LUCY BUFFETT’S LULU’S, Destin, lulubuffett.com/destin**  
JUSTIN YAWN, 5 PM

**REDD’S FUELING STATION, Santa Rosa Beach, ReddsFuel.com**  
REDD THE SINGING BARTENDER, 7-10 PM

**SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island**  
CHRISTIAN MAYES, 8 PM-Midnight

**30A SONGWRITER MUSIC AND COFFEE, Santa Rosa Beach**  
Open Mic Live, 7-10 PM

**VINNY McGUIRE’S, Destin**  
ROB ROMANS, 6 PM

**WEDNESDAY, AUG. 7**  
**Editor’s Note:** *This is the last day to vote for your favorites in the Beachcomber Music Awards Chapter 11 online poll. [www.beachcomberdestin.com/vote](#)*

**AJ’S, Destin**  
JASON TYLER FINDLEY, 4:30 PM (Bimini Stage)  
GOOD ‘NUFF, 6 PM (Tiki Stage)  
DJ CHARLES, 8 PM  
BLACK EYED BLONDE, 9:30 PM (Bimini Stage)

**AJ’S ON THE BAYOU, Fort Walton Beach**  
JB DYESS, 5-9 PM

**AL’S BEACH CLUB & BURGER BAR, Okaloosa Island, ALSBEACHCLUB.COM**  
MYKE VAN NESS, 5-9 PM  
*Fireworks at 9.*

**ENLIGHTENED STUDIOS, Fort Walton Beach**  
Open Mic Night, 7-9 PM

**FOKKER’S PUB, Fort Walton Beach, 850-244-6666**  
PARADISE BAYOU, 6-10 PM

**GREEN DOOR MUSIC HALL, Fort Walton Beach**  
Wailing Wednesday Blues Jam with JOE FINGAS & P-NUT, 9 PM-Midnight

**HAVANA BEACH BAR AND GRILL, Rosemary Beach**  
MICHAEL RORAH, 6:30-10:30 PM

**LUCY BUFFETT’S LULU’S, Destin, lulubuffett.com/destin**  
RONNIE PRESLEY, 5 PM

**THE PERFECT PIG, WaterColor**  
BOB CUSHING, 6-9 PM

**REDD’S FUELING STATION, Santa Rosa Beach, ReddsFuel.com**  
Open Mic Night, 7-10 PM

**RUTH’S CHRIS STEAK HOUSE, Destin, RuthsChrisDestin.com**  
JONES & COMPANY, 6-9 PM (Courtyard)  
MICHAEL J THOMAS, 6:30-9 PM (Main Bar and Dining Room)

**SANDDOLLAR LOUNGE, WHITE SANDS BOWLING CENTER, Fort Walton Beach**  
BOBBYD, 7-10 PM

**SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island**  
BILL GARRETT, 8 PM-Midnight

**THE VILLAGE OF BAYTOWNE WHARF, Sandestin, BaytowneWharf.com**  
BOUKOU GROOVE, 7-9 PM  
*Wednesday Night Concert Series*

**THURSDAY, AUG. 8**  
**AJ’S, Destin**  
WILL & LINDA, 4:30 PM (Bimini Stage)  
CHASING JAYMIE, 6 (Tiki Stage)  
DJ BOOM, 8 PM

**AJ’S ON THE BAYOU, Fort Walton Beach**  
CHRIS HAYES, 5-9 PM

**AL’S BEACH CLUB & BURGER BAR, Okaloosa Island, ALSBEACHCLUB.COM**  
DONNIE MORGAN, 5-9 PM  
*Beach Luau Party*

**BAXTER’S BAR & GRILLE, Fort Walton Beach**  
Karaoke, 8-10 PM

**CAMILLE’S, Destin, CamillesAtCrystalBeach.com**  
DEAN SADOWSKI, 3-5 PM

**CAPT. DAVE’S ON THE GULF, Destin, 850-837-2627**  
BRANDON DAY, 5-9 PM

**FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin, 850-424-6650**  
CAT RHODES & THE TRUTH, 7 PM

**GOATFEATHERS, Santa Rosa Beach**  
HOPE GIVEN, 5-8 PM

**HARBORWALK VILLAGE, Destin, HarborWalkVillage.com**  
MODERN ELDORADOS, 7 PM  
*Throwback Thursday. Vintage flyover at 6:30, fireworks and fire spinning show at 9.*

**HAVANA BEACH BAR AND GRILL, Rosemary Beach**  
MICHAEL RORAH, 6:30-10:30 PM

**LUCY BUFFETT’S LULU’S, Destin, lulubuffett.com/destin**  
MICHAEL MAGAZZENI, 5 PM

**THE PERFECT PIG, WaterColor**  
ROB ROMANS, 6 PM

**REDD’S FUELING STATION, Santa Rosa Beach, ReddsFuel.com**  
REDD THE SINGING BARTENDER, 7-10 PM

**RED FISH TACO, Blue Mountain Beach**  
FORREST WILLIAMS BAND, 8-11 PM  
*Ladies Night*

**RUTH’S CHRIS STEAK HOUSE, Destin, RuthsChrisDestin.com**  
CHERYL JONES, 6-9 PM (Courtyard)  
MICHAEL J THOMAS, 6:30-9 PM (Main Bar and Dining Room)

**SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island**  
BILL GARRETT, 8 PM-Midnight

**30AVENUE, Inlet Beach**  
THE SHAKEDOWN, 6-9 PM

**VINNY McGUIRE’S, Destin**  
BOB CUSHING, 6 PM

**FRIDAY, AUG. 9**  
**AJ’S, Destin**  
GOOD ‘NUFF, 4:30 PM (Bimini Stage)  
AUSTIN JENNINGS, 6 PM (Tiki Stage)  
DJ BOOM, 8 PM

**AL’S BEACH CLUB & BURGER BAR, Okaloosa Island, ALSBEACHCLUB.COM**  
HORSESHOE KITTY, 8-11:59 PM

**BAXTER’S BAR & GRILLE, Fort Walton Beach**  
Open Mic Night with COLE JORDAN, 8 PM

**ENLIGHTENED STUDIOS, Fort Walton Beach**  
TRIS, 6-9 PM  
THOS3 GUYS, 9 PM-Midnight

**FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin, 850-424-6650**  
GROUP THERAPY, 8 PM-Midnight

**HAVANA BEACH BAR AND GRILL, Rosemary Beach**  
MICHAEL RORAH, 6:30-10:30 PM

**JETTY EAST, Destin**  
ROB ROMANS, 6 PM

**LUCY BUFFETT’S LULU’S, Destin, lulubuffett.com/destin**  
LEFTY COLLINS, 5 PM

**MODICA MARKET, Seaside**  
THE STEENOS, 5-7 PM

**PARADISE BAR & GRILL, Pensacola Beach**  
SELWYN BIRCHWOOD, 6 PM  
*FREE show with the visionary young blues star and his band. Don’t miss this one!*

**REDD’S FUELING STATION, Santa Rosa Beach, ReddsFuel.com**  
TBA, 7:30-10:30 PM

**RUTH’S CHRIS STEAK HOUSE, Destin, RuthsChrisDestin.com**  
SHANE CURLE, 6-9 PM (Courtyard)  
MICHAEL J THOMAS, 6:30-9 PM (Main Bar and Dining Room)

**SLICK MICK’S, Fort Walton Beach**  
PARADISE BAYOU, 6:30-9:30 PM

**SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island**  
CHRIS HAYES, 8 PM-Midnight

**30AVENUE, Inlet Beach**  
THE GOOD LOOKINGS, 6-9 PM

**TWISTED GRAPE CAFÉ & WINE BAR, Shalmar, 850-651-5100**  
MICHAEL BETHEA, 6-9 PM

**VINNY McGUIRE’S, Destin**  
BOB CUSHING, 6 PM

**VINYL MUSIC HALL, Pensacola**  
SABOTAGE: Tribute to the Beastie Boys

**SATURDAY, AUG. 10**  
**AJ’S, Destin**  
WILL & LINDA, 4:30 PM (Bimini Stage)  
AUSTIN JENNINGS, 6 PM (Tiki Stage)  
DJ BOOM, 8 PM

**AJ’S ON THE BAYOU, Fort Walton Beach**  
BRANDON DAY, 1-5 PM

**AL’S BEACH CLUB & BURGER BAR, Okaloosa Island, ALSBEACHCLUB.COM**  
SUPERFACED, 8-11:59 PM

**ENLIGHTENED STUDIOS, Fort Walton Beach**  
KB DYNAMICS – CLASSIC JUNE – JUMPING THE GUN, 5-8 PM  
CHAT HOLLEY, 9 PM-Midnight

**FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin, 850-424-6650**  
LUCKY STRIKE RETROS, 8 PM

**HARBORWALK VILLAGE, Destin, HarborWalkVillage.com**  
HORSESHOE KITTY, 7 PM  
*Rock the Docks*

**HAVANA BEACH BAR AND GRILL, Rosemary Beach**  
MICHAEL RORAH, 6:30-10:30 PM

**JIMMY BUFFETT’S MARGARITAVILLE, HarborWalk Village**  
BOB CUSHING, 6 PM

**JIMMY’S JUKEBOX, Fort Walton Beach**  
GROUP THERAPY, 9 PM-1 AM

**LUCY BUFFETT’S LULU’S, Destin, lulubuffett.com/destin**  
PHIL & FOSTER, 5 PM

**POMPANO JOE’S, Miramar Beach**  
ROB ROMANS, 2 PM

**RUTH’S CHRIS STEAK HOUSE, Destin, RuthsChrisDestin.com**  
SHANE CURLE, 6-9 PM (Courtyard)  
MICHAEL J THOMAS, 6-9 PM (East Bar)

**SANDDOLLAR LOUNGE, WHITE SANDS BOWLING CENTER, Fort Walton Beach**  
BOBBYD, 7-10 PM

**SLICK MICK’S, Fort Walton Beach**  
OTHA ALLEN, 6:30-9:30 PM

**SUNDESTIN RESORT, Destin**  
DONNIE MORGAN, Noon-4 PM

**SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island**  
CHRIS HAYES, 8 PM-Midnight

**TWISTED GRAPE CAFÉ & WINE BAR, Shalmar, 850-651-5100**  
JUSTIN ROGERS, 6-9 PM

**SUNDAY, AUG. 11**  
**AJ’S, Destin**  
JONES AND COMPANY, 4 PM (Bimini Stage)  
JB DYESS, 6 PM (Tiki Stage)  
DJ DAN DAVIS, 8 PM  
BLACK EYED BLONDE, 9:30 PM (Bimini Stage)

**AL’S BEACH CLUB & BURGER BAR, Okaloosa Island, ALSBEACHCLUB.COM**  
BRANDON DAY, 5-9 PM

**CAMILLE’S, Destin, CamillesAtCrystalBeach.com**  
DEAN SADOWSKI, 10 AM-Noon

**ENLIGHTENED STUDIOS, Fort Walton Beach**  
HOPE GIVEN, 2-5 PM

**FAITH ASSEMBLY CHURCH, Miramar Beach**  
DONNIE SUNDAL – FLY DENTS – PHIL CALHOUN – TAREVA HENDERSON BOONE – SHANNON WALLACE, et al., 11 AM

**FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin, 850-424-6650**  
Jazz Jam with MATT McCARTY, 6 PM

**HOOKS AT THE OTHER END, Destin**  
ROB ROMANS, 5 PM

**LOCAL CATCH, Santa Rosa Beach**  
FORREST WILLIAMS BAND, 4-7 PM  
*Sunday Funday*

**LUCY BUFFETT’S LULU’S, Destin, lulubuffett.com/destin**  
CADILLAC ATTACK, 5 PM

**POMPANO JOE’S, Miramar Beach**  
BOBBYD, 2-5 PM

**STINKY’S FISH CAMP, Santa Rosa Beach**  
THE STEENOS with FRANKO “WASHBOARD” JACKSON, 11 AM-2 PM

**SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island**  
CHRIS HAYES, 8 PM-Midnight

**TRIPP TIDE TIKI BAR AT THE ISLAND HOTEL, Okaloosa Island**  
BOB CUSHING, 5 PM

**MONDAY, AUG. 12**  
**AJ’S, Destin**  
WILL & LINDA, 4:30 PM (Bimini Stage)  
JASON CLARK, 6 PM (Tiki Stage)  
DJ SERPENT, 8 PM  
BLACK EYED BLONDE, 9:30 PM (Bimini Stage)



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## Live Music

**AL'S BEACH CLUB & BURGER BAR,**  
Okaloosa Island, [ALSBEACHCLUB.COM](http://ALSBEACHCLUB.COM)  
TREST RICHERSON, 5-9 PM

**FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin,**  
850-424-6650  
Blues Jam, 7 PM

**GOATFEATHERS, Santa Rosa Beach**  
HOPE GIVEN, 5-8 PM

**LUCY BUFFETT'S LULU'S, Destin,**  
[lulubuffett.com/destin](http://lulubuffett.com/destin)  
BOUKOU GROOVE, 5 PM

**SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE,**  
Okaloosa Island  
CHRIS HAYES, 8 PM-Midnight

### TUESDAY, AUG. 13

**AJ'S, Destin**  
JB DYESS, 4:30 PM (Bimini Stage)  
CHASING JAYMIE, 6 PM (Tiki Stage)  
DJ DAN DAVIS, 8 PM  
BLACK EYED BLONDE, 9:30 PM (Bimini Stage)

**AL'S BEACH CLUB & BURGER BAR,**  
Okaloosa Island, [ALSBEACHCLUB.COM](http://ALSBEACHCLUB.COM)  
MARVIN LEE, 4-8 PM  
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**CAMILLE'S, Destin,**  
[CamillesAtCrystalBeach.com](http://CamillesAtCrystalBeach.com)  
TOM DeVOURSNEY, 3-5 PM

**FUNKY BLUES SHACK, Destin, 850-424-6650**  
CAT RHODES & THE TRUTH, 7 PM

**HOG'S BREATH, Destin**  
BRANDON DAY, 5-9 PM

**LA PAZ, Destin, [LaPazDestin.com](http://LaPazDestin.com)**  
SHANE CURLE, 6-9 PM  
*Taco Tuesday*

**LUCY BUFFETT'S LULU'S, Destin,**  
[lulubuffett.com/destin](http://lulubuffett.com/destin)  
ALBERT SIMPSON, 5 PM

**REDD'S FUELING STATION, Santa Rosa Beach, [ReddsFuel.com](http://ReddsFuel.com)**  
REDD, THE SINGING BARTENDER, 6:30-10 PM

**SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island**  
CHRISTIAN MAYES, 8 PM-Midnight

**30A SONGWRITER MUSIC AND COFFEE, Santa Rosa Beach**  
Open Mic Live, 7-10 PM

**VINNY McGUIRE'S, Destin**  
BOB CUSHING, 6 PM



### WEDNESDAY, AUG. 14

**AJ'S, Destin**  
JASON TYLER FINDLEY, 4:30 PM (Bimini Stage)  
GOOD 'NUFF, 6 PM (Tiki Stage)  
DJ CHARLES, 8 PM  
BLACK EYED BLONDE, 9:30 PM (Bimini Stage)

**AJ'S ON THE BAYOU, Fort Walton Beach**  
JB DYESS, 5-9 PM

**AL'S BEACH CLUB & BURGER BAR,**  
Okaloosa Island, [ALSBEACHCLUB.COM](http://ALSBEACHCLUB.COM)  
MYKE VAN NESS, 5-9 PM  
*Fireworks at 9.*

**FOKKER'S PUB, Fort Walton Beach,**  
850-244-6666  
PARADISE BAYOU, 6-10 PM

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# WSRE’s “StudioAmped” Takes It to the Country in August

**WSRE invites the community** to attend the production of three new **StudioAmped** shows featuring local country music artists and songwriters from the Frank Brown International Songwriters’ Festival. The tapings of the episodes are FREE and will take place at the Jean & Paul Amos Performance Studio on the Pensacola campus of Pensacola State College at 7 PM. Doors open at 6.

The series commemorates both the fall broadcast of Ken Burns’ *Country Music* docuseries and the 35th anniversary of the Frank Brown International Songwriters’ Festival.

**Monday, Aug. 5. Tony-Ray Thompson** says his singing and songwriting style is influenced by artists such as Eric Church, Alan Jackson and the Highwaymen supergroup of Johnny Cash, Waylon Jennings, Willie Nelson and Kris Kristofferson. His versatility in performing country, blues and southern rock has made him a sought-after act along the Gulf Coast.

**Tuesday, Aug. 6. The BeachBilly’s** [*sic*] band includes accomplished local musicians T-Bone Montgomery, Dave Caluger, Mark Sherrill, James Daniel and Augie Savage. Mr. Montgomery was born in Muscle Shoals, Alabama, and comes from a long line of songwriters, including his uncle, “Peanut” Montgomery, who wrote hit songs for George Jones.

Mr. Sherrill has written songs cut by Jones, Kenny Rogers, Johnny Cash, Tanya Tucker and Blake Shelton. He received the Nashville Songwriters Association International’s “10 Songs I Wish I’d Written” achievement

award for “Ole Red,” co-written with Don Goodman and James Bohon and recorded by Mr. Shelton.

**Thursday, Aug. 8. Brittany Grimes, Davis Nix and Darrel Roberts.** Ms. Grimes is a country singer-songwriter from south Alabama. She fell in love with music and started writing songs at a young age. She has been performing at songwriters’ festivals and local music venues since age 13. At 14, she performed at Nashville’s CMA Fest, Tootsie’s Orchid Lounge, Rippy’s, Blue Bird Cafe and The Listening Room. By 15, she had taught herself to play guitar and began performing solo shows.

She has written songs and shared the stage with many of her idols and mentors over the years. Her musical influences are widely spread among genres and include many Gulf Coast performers who have mentored her throughout her songwriting career. In June, she released a five-song EP of some of her favorite original songs produced by Brandon White and Greg Deluca.

Mr. Nix is an American alternative country music singer-songwriter from Montgomery, Alabama. Encouraged by his songwriting parents, he was playing guitar by age 10. At 11, his passion for music was still growing strong, and he became interested in drums.

He remembers the first drum kit his parents bought for him for \$500. “I probably still owe them to this day for that drum kit,” says Mr. Nix. He was playing gigs by age 12, the first of which was an office party for \$600. In 2018, he released the six-song EP *Part*

*One*, which garnered him national press in *Rolling Stone*.

Mr. Roberts was born and raised on the Gulf Coast and began writing songs at age 14. A family move to Texas exposed him to different forms of music and opportunities to play and write in different genres. By 18, he was in a progressive rock band performing all-original material and opening for acts like Argent.

After that, a vocal trio was formed, opening for acts such as B.B. King, John Hammond Jr., and Ike and Tina Turner. The music scene of the 1970s opened the door to country music for Mr. Roberts. “That time in my life was so productive as a player, a writer and artist,” he says. “I got to play with some tremendous writer-artists and then was given the opportunity to write with some people who were big influences on what I’ve become.”

While Texas offered great opportunities, returning to the Gulf Coast proved to be productive, too. He arrived at the Flora-Bama Lounge & Package Store in 1981 and discovered a place where artists were writing and playing good music with encouragement from owner Joe Gilchrist. “There couldn’t have been a better atmosphere for creativity anywhere on the planet,” Mr. Roberts says. “Joe also got some of the big writers to come down from Nashville, some real legends. That became an avenue to network with some really great writers.” Mr. Roberts has performed at every Frank Brown International Songwriters’ Festival since it started in 1984.

The *StudioAmped* Summer Country Concerts are FREE and open to the

public. No tickets or registration required. Food donations for Manna Pantries are welcome and will be collected at the door.

- Mary Riker

## Upcoming Music Releases

### AUG. 2

- Bad Company, *The Swan Song Years 1974-1982***
- Cindy Lee Berryhill, *Garage Orchestra and Straight Outta Marysville*. 1994 and 1996 LPs, with bonus tracks.**
- Tyler Childers, *Country Squire\****
- Creedence Clearwater Revival, *Live at Woodstock\****
- Davina and the Vagabonds, *Sugar Drops\****
- The Harmaleighs, *She Won’t Make Sense\****
- King’s X, *The Atlantic Albums***
- Saxon, *The Eagle Has Landed 40 (Live)\****
- Ty Segall, *First Taste\*\****
- Gary Tallent, *More Like Me\****
- Volbeat, *Rewind, Replay, Rebound\****
- Yes, *Yes 50 Live***
- NOW *That’s What I Call Yacht Rock\****

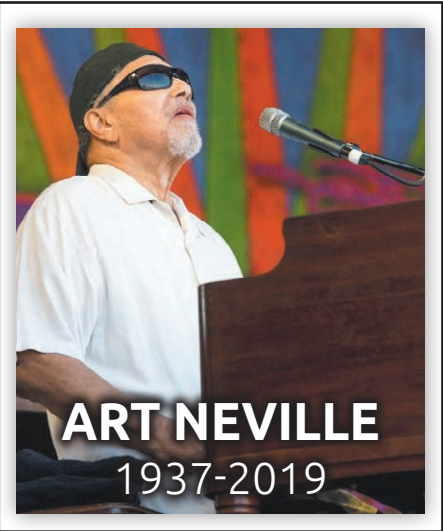
### AUG. 9

- Marc Cohn and Blind Boys of Alabama, *Work to Do\****
- Denzel Curry, *Zuu***
- Dirty Heads, *Super Moon\****
- Feeder, *Tallulah\****
- Steve Goodman, *Santa Ana Winds and Unfinished Business*. His 1984 and 1987 LPs, with bonus tracks.**
- Marika Hackman, *Any Human Friend\****
- Tori Kelly, *Inspired by True Events***
- The Nick Moss Band Featuring Dennis Gruenling, *Lucky Guy!***
- Elvis Presley, *Live 1969*. The King’s International Hotel shows on 11 CDs, with a 52-page book.**
- Ra Ra Riot, *Superbloom\****
- Nina Simone, *The Complete RCA Albums Collection***
- Slipknot, *WE ARE NOT YOUR KIND\****
- Wilder Woods, *Wilder Woods\****
- Blinded by the Light (Original Motion Picture Soundtrack)\****
- \* Also on Vinyl**
- \*\* Also on Vinyl and Cassette**
- Sources: Allmusic.com, Pauseandplay.com**

## Live Music

- GREEN DOOR MUSIC HALL, Fort Walton Beach**  
Wailing Wednesday Blues Jam with JOE FINGAS & P-NUT, 9 PM-Midnight
- HAVANA BEACH BAR AND GRILL, Rosemary Beach**  
MICHAEL RORAH, 6:30-10:30 PM
- LUCY BUFFETT’S LULU’S, Destin, lulubuffett.com/destin**  
ALBERT SIMPSON, 5 PM
- THE PERFECT PIG, WaterColor**  
ROB ROMANS, 6 PM
- REDD’S FUELING STATION, Santa Rosa Beach, ReddsFuel.com**  
Open Mic Night, 7-10 PM

- RUTH’S CHRIS STEAK HOUSE, Destin, RuthsChrisDestin.com**  
JONES & COMPANY, 6-9 PM (Courtyard)  
MICHAEL J THOMAS, 6:30-9 PM (Main Bar and Dining Room)
- SANDDOLLAR LOUNGE, WHITE SANDS BOWLING CENTER, Fort Walton Beach**  
BOBBYD, 7-10 PM
- SWIZZLE STICK LOUNGE, Okaloosa Island**  
BILL GARRETT, 8 PM-Midnight
- THE VILLAGE OF BAYTOWNE WHARF, Sandestin, BaytowneWharf.com**  
BIG AL & THE HEAVYWEIGHTS, 7-9 PM  
*Wednesday Night Concert Series*





# PET OF THE ISSUE

## Snowy

Submitted by Donnie Morgan

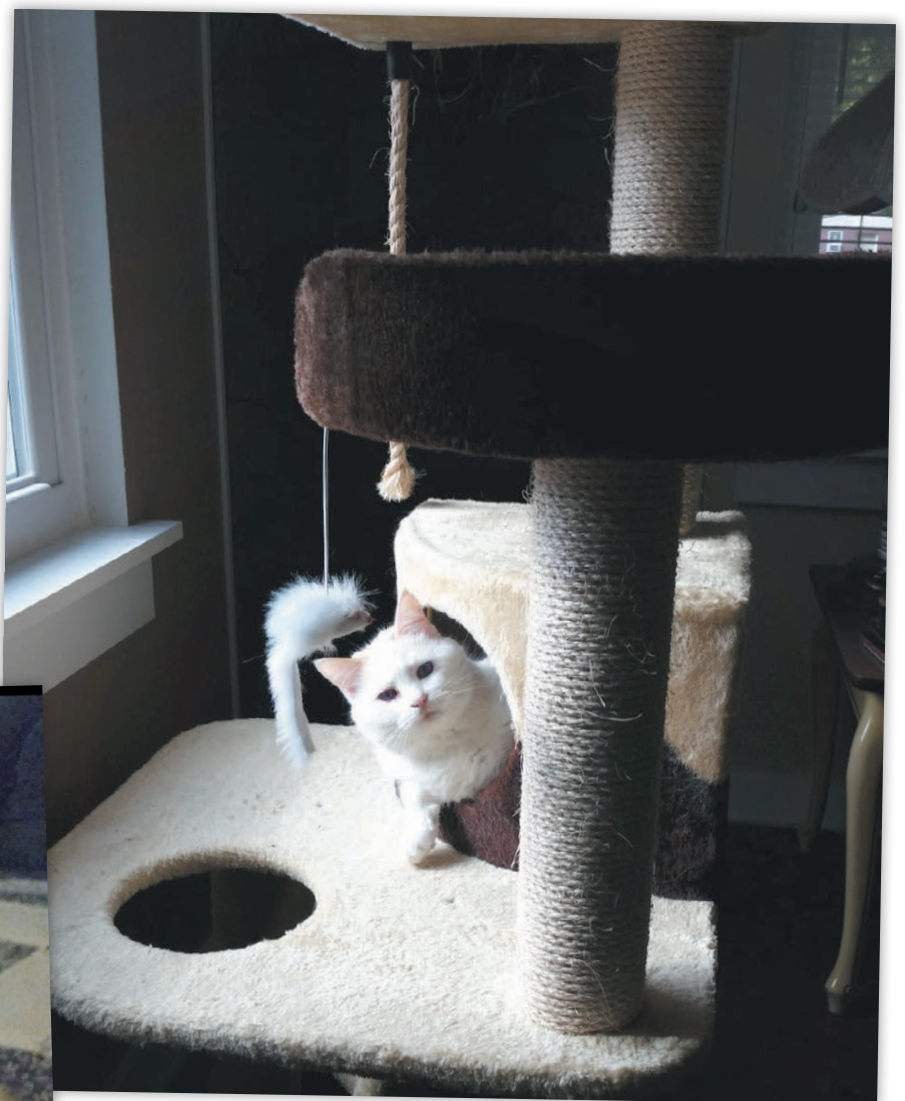
Snow White Queso Morgan, a/k/a Snowy, showed up on Donnie's back porch in the summer of 2017. "My girlfriend Toni was able to eventually gain her trust and determine that she was pregnant," he tells Beachcomber.

"Turns out she, the cat, not the girlfriend, was less than a year old and pregnant, so we took her to SOCKS, they put her with a surrogate until she gave birth to two beautiful kittens, then they returned her to her 'forever' home, right here with me in Choctaw Beach."

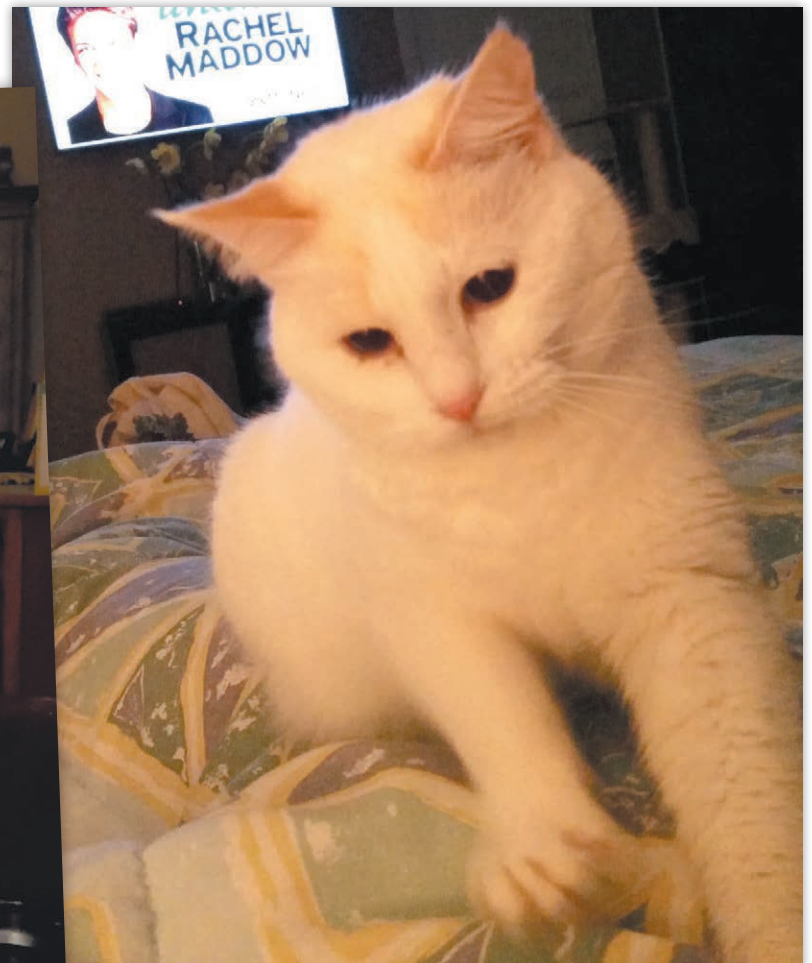
Donnie isn't sure what breed Snowy is, "but she's got tabby in her plus an obvious mix of some local cats running around out here. She is my PURR-fect little mutt. She's my buddy, and she rescued me just as much as I rescued her...I couldn't love her any more than I do now!"

Snowy's hobbies include sleeping, getting loved on, posing for pictures, and "stalking, chasing and playing with the little ghost animals that live in my home," Donnie says. Her dad being a musician (and 2019 Beachcomber Music Awards nominee with the band Group Therapy), we wondered what kind of tunes Snowy enjoys.

"Anything soft," Donnie says. "She doesn't like it when Dad cranks up Motorhead or Slayer."



"She's a sweet, shy little soul, but once she warms up to you, she comes out of her shell, and next thing you know, you're her buddy," Donnie Morgan says of Snowy.



Submit your best friend(s) for a future Pet of the Issue feature! Email [chris@beachcomberdestin.com](mailto:chris@beachcomberdestin.com).



# Events

All information is subject to change. Please refer to the contact numbers and/or emails/websites for up-to-the-minute details. Send us your Aug. 15 and beyond events by 5 PM Thursday, **Aug. 8**, or they will not be in our next issue. Please submit events in the format used here. Photos welcome. Email [chris@beachcomberdestin.com](mailto:chris@beachcomberdestin.com).

## THURSDAY, AUG. 1

### FIRST THURSDAY WINE TASTING

Enlightened Studios, Fort Walton Beach, 6-9 PM

### MAGICAL THURSDAY

The Village of Baytowne Wharf, Sandestin, 7-9 PM

[BaytowneWharf.com](http://BaytowneWharf.com)

A magic adventure with **Captain Davy**.

### OKALOOSA COUNTY FARMERS MARKET

Northwest Florida Fairgrounds, Fort Walton Beach, 7 AM-2 PM  
850-689-5850

Locally grown produce and more.

### THROWBACK THURSDAY

HarborWalk Village, Destin, 7-9 PM

[HarborWalkVillage.com](http://HarborWalkVillage.com)

**Girls Rock** perform on the main stage, followed by fireworks and fire spinning show at 9.

## SATURDAY, AUG. 3

### GRAND BOULEVARD FARMERS MARKET

Grand Boulevard at Sandestin, 9 AM-1 PM  
[GrandBoulevard.com](http://GrandBoulevard.com)

### OKALOOSA COUNTY FARMERS MARKET

Northwest Florida Fairgrounds, Fort Walton Beach, 7 AM-2 PM  
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### SEASIDE FARMERS MARKET

Seaside, 8 AM

[SeasideFL.com](http://SeasideFL.com)

## SUNDAY, AUG. 4

### "HIT A HOME RUN FOR EARLY LEARNING" WITH WSRE AND THE BLUE WAHOOS

Blue Wahoos Stadium, Pensacola, 3 PM  
[WSRE.org](http://WSRE.org)

## Hit a Home Run for Early Learning!

Fun children's activities and appearances by **Clifford the Big Red Dog**, **Curious George** and more before the game.

### 30A FARMERS MARKET

Rosemary Beach, 9 AM-1 PM

Satisfying salts, teas, spices, blends and more.

## MONDAY, AUG. 5

### HYDROFLIGHT MONDAY

The Village of Baytowne Wharf, Sandestin, 6:30 and 8:30 PM

[BaytowneWharf.com](http://BaytowneWharf.com)

Fly board extraordinaire **Ben Merrell** soars over the lagoon.

## TUESDAY, AUG. 6

### BOOMIN' TUESDAYS

The Village of Baytowne Wharf, Sandestin, 7-9:30 PM

[BaytowneWharf.com](http://BaytowneWharf.com)

Lawn games and inflatables in the Events Plaza, followed by a breathtaking fireworks show at 9:15.

### FAT TUESDAY PARADE

HarborWalk Village, Destin, 6:30 PM  
[HarborWalkVillage.com](http://HarborWalkVillage.com)



HarborWalk lets the good times roll with dazzling floats, colorful costumes, street performers, beads and swag, and live music from **Fais Do Do**.

### HIGHWAY 98 VOLUNTEER MEETING

Enlightened Studios, Fort Walton Beach, 5-6 PM

### OKALOOSA COUNTY FARMERS MARKET

Northwest Florida Fairgrounds, Fort Walton Beach, 7 AM-2 PM  
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## WEDNESDAY, AUG. 7

### FIREWORKS!

The Boardwalk, Okaloosa Island, 9 PM  
Brought to you by the fine folks at *Beachcomber* \*among others.\*

### LADIES' NIGHT

Camille's at Crystal Beach, Destin

[www.CamillesAtCrystalBeach.com](http://www.CamillesAtCrystalBeach.com)

Half off drinks for the ladies! Two bucks off sushi rolls!

## THURSDAY, AUG. 8

### MAGICAL THURSDAY

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### OKALOOSA DEMOCRATIC SOCIAL CLUB

#### HOOTENANNY

Thai Taste Restaurant, Fort Walton Beach

[DemHootnanny@cox.net](mailto:DemHootnanny@cox.net)

Monthly dinner meeting of registered Democrats and friends. Dutch treat buffet at 5:30 PM, program at 6. Make your reservation no later than **Aug. 6**. Call Kathy at 850-862-0416 for more info.

### SECOND THURSDAY WINE TASTING

Enlightened Studios, Fort Walton Beach, 6-8 PM  
Entry fee is \$8.

### THROWBACK THURSDAY

HarborWalk Village, Destin, 7-9 PM

[HarborWalkVillage.com](http://HarborWalkVillage.com)

**Modern Eldorados** perform on the main stage, followed by fireworks and fire spinning show at 9.

## SATURDAY, AUG. 10

### AUTOS IN AUGUST

The Village of Baytowne Wharf, Sandestin, 11 AM-4 PM

[BaytowneWharf.com](http://BaytowneWharf.com)

A day of fun, sun and cars, brought to you by **Emerald Coast Customs**. Visitors welcome to walk around and look at the cars. Entry fee is \$10 per vehicle—email [eccdestin@gmail.com](mailto:eccdestin@gmail.com).

### CASTING CALL FOR "DECEPTION"

Enlightened Studios, 10 AM-Noon  
...whatever that is!

### GRAND BOULEVARD FARMERS MARKET

Grand Boulevard at Sandestin, 9 AM-1 PM  
[GrandBoulevard.com](http://GrandBoulevard.com)

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### SEASIDE FARMERS MARKET

Seaside, 8 AM

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## SUNDAY, AUG. 11

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Satisfying salts, teas, spices, blends and more.

## TUESDAY, AUG. 13

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## WEDNESDAY, AUG. 14

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### LADIES' NIGHT

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## MONDAY, AUG 19

### BEACHCOMBER MUSIC AWARDS CHAPTER

#### 11 PRE-EVENT EVENT

Harbor Docks, Downstairs, Destin, 6:30 PM

[BeachcomberDestin.com](http://BeachcomberDestin.com)

Rub elbows with this year's nominees and have a drink or two.

## SATURDAY, AUG. 24

### ROLLER DERBY SINGLE HEADER

Northwest Florida Fairgrounds, Fort Walton Beach, Doors Open at 6 PM, First Whistle at 7

[www.panhandleunitedrollerderby.com](http://www.panhandleunitedrollerderby.com)

Tickets are \$12 general admission, with discounts for military first responders—kids 10 and under FREE with paid adult. A portion of the bout proceeds will benefit **Emerald Coast Foundation**.

### THIRTY-FOURTH SILENT AND LIVE AUCTION

Harbor Docks, Destin, 6 PM

All proceeds from the event benefit **Destin Harvest** and **Take a Kid Fishing**. To donate an item for the event, email [chris@destinharvest.org](mailto:chris@destinharvest.org) or [Jackie@harbordocks.com](mailto:Jackie@harbordocks.com).



Members of the SETCO team donate backpacks filled with goodies for the foster kids living in the Children in Crisis Neighborhood. From left—Kristin Couvillion, Kelly Dubel, Anne Gilmartin, Edith Libbenga, Billie Jene Nowling, Valerie Brunson and Melisa Farrell. Learn more at [childrenincrisisfl.org](http://childrenincrisisfl.org).

Photo submitted by Ken Hair.



Events

MONDAY, AUG. 26

**BEACHCOMBER MUSIC AWARDS CHAPTER 11**  
*Al's Beach Club & Burger Bar, Okaloosa Island*  
Honoring the area's musicmakers, with live performances by **Finga FAYA, Jessie Ritter, Chris Hayes, Bob Cushing, Brandon Day, Superfaced, Tareva Henderson Boone** and more. Vote now through Wednesday, **Aug. 7**, at **BeachcomberDestin.com/vote**.

THURSDAY, OCT. 3

**THIRTY-FOURTH ANNUAL CADDYSHACK CLASSIC GOLF TOURNAMENT**  
*Emerald Bay Golf Course, Registration at Noon*  
**HarborDocks.com**  
All proceeds benefit **Destin Harvest's** food rescue and distribution operation and **Take a Kid Fishing**.

SUNDAY, OCT. 13

**30A HALF MARATHON & 5K**  
*Scenic Highway 30A*  
Register at **30Ahalf.com**. Deadline is **Sept. 28** for all runners.

FRIDAY, OCT. 18- SATURDAY, OCT. 19

**ANIMORE, A FUNDRAISING WEEKEND FOR ALAQUA ANIMAL REFUGE**  
*Future Alaquia Grounds on Highway 20, Freeport*  
**Alaquia.org**  
An epic weekend celebration of and for the love of animals with a one-of-a-kind wine dinner, live music and more. More info to come. Don't miss this one!



The Arc of the Emerald Coast raises \$6,500 from their annual Emerald Coast Princess Ball, a father-daughter dance held at Northwest Florida State College in Niceville May 31. From left—John Roper, Erin Thatcher, Sherry Richardson, Donna Tashik, Sandra Zamora and Kimberly Bowman.

Beachside Worship Services

**CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION EPISCOPAL CHURCH UECNA** 1928 Book of Common Prayer Service, 10 AM Sundays, communion service second and fourth Sundays, morning prayer, first and third Sundays. 66 8th Street, Shalimar, 850-651-9800.

**CORPUS CHRISTI CATHOLIC CHURCH** Mass schedule (through Sept. 30)—Sunday, 8 AM and 10:30 AM; Saturday, confessions from 4 to 4:30 PM, mass at 5 PM; daily mass Monday through Friday, 8 AM; First Friday Adoration, 8:30-9:30 AM; First Saturday Mass, 8 AM Holy Days of Obligation, 8 AM and 6:30 PM 307 Beach Drive, Destin.

**DESTIN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH** Sundays – 7:30 AM beach services at Henderson Beach State Park; Crab Trap, Destin; Crab Trap, Okaloosa Island Boardwalk. Contemporary service in the Sanctuary at 9 AM. Contemporary Xalt service at 10:30 AM in the Destin Life Center. Traditional service in the Sanctuary at 11 AM. Sunset beach service at Henderson Beach State Park, 5:30 PM. **DestinUMC.org**.

**FAITH ASSEMBLY CHRISTIAN CHURCH** Sunday worship services: 8:45 and 11 AM Nursery and children's church is available. Wednesday bible study at 7 PM Located at 306 S. Geronimo St. in Miramar Beach, three blocks west of Silver Sands Outlet Mall. 850-837-7561.

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF DESTIN** Sunday bible study at 9:15 AM, worship service at 10:30 AM, prayer and outreach at 5 PM. Wednesday service at 6:15 PM. 201 Beach Drive, 850-837-6515.

**FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF SEAGROVE** Sunday services at 10 AM and Wednesdays at 6 PM 4915 E Hwy. 30A, Seagrove, 850-231-2884.

**GATHERING** 151 Eglin Pkwy NE, Fort Walton Beach. **comegather.com**.

**GOOD NEWS UNITED METHODIST CHURCH** Sunday services 8:45 AM (traditional worship) and 10 AM (contemporary worship). 4747 U.S. 98 West, Santa Rosa Beach, 850-622-9191.

**GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH** Sunday worship service, 9:30 AM Sunday school for kids, confirmation class for youth, and adult bible study, 10:45 AM 4325 Commons Drive, Destin, 850-654-1679.

**HOPE ON THE BEACH** Beach worship at 8 AM at Ed Walline Beach, across from Gulf Place; and at Inlet Beach, at the Orange Street beach access. Worship at 9:30 AM at Shunk Gulley Oyster Bar, on the corner of 393 and 30A. And worship at 11 AM at our 98 Church Campus, at 3834 U.S. 98 W, Santa Rosa Beach. For more information, call 850-267-0322 or email **pastorj@hopeonthebeach.org**.

**ISLAMIC DA AWA CENTER OF FWB** 6 Hollywood Blvd. SW, Fort Walton Beach, 850-664-0373, **lavidaeterna.org**.

**KINGDOM HALL OF JEHOVAH'S WITNESSES** 216 Jonquil Avenue NW, Fort Walton Beach.

**MOSSY HEAD CHURCH OF CHRIST** 657 Deshazo Road, Crestview, 850-951-0434, **mossy-headchurchofchrist.com**.

**NAVARRE BEACHSIDE CHURCH** Non-denominational Christian church service meets outdoors every Sunday at 9 AM in the Navarre Beach parking lot, located at 8579 Gulf Boulevard. Children's church provided, pets always welcome. Look for the white tents. 850-939-1533, **www.navarrebeachchurch.com**.

**NICEVILLE CHURCH OF CHRIST** Sunday bible study at 9 AM, worship at 10 AM. Sunday evening service, 5 PM. Mid-week bible study Wednesdays at 7 PM. 801 John Sims Parkway East, Niceville. 850-678-2911.

**RESURRECTION CATHOLIC CHURCH** Saturday vigil mass, 5 PM; Sunday masses, 8 and 10:30 AM; Daily liturgies, Monday through Friday, 8:30 AM; Holy Days of Obligation, 8:30 AM and 6 PM; Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, Fridays, 9-10 AM; Confessions, Saturdays, 4-4:45 PM or by appointment. 259 Miramar Beach Dr., Destin, 850-837-0358.

**SAFE HARBOR PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH** Sunday school at 9:30 AM, worship service at 10:30. 801 Airport Road, Destin, 850-837-2133.

**SAINT RITA CATHOLIC CHURCH** Saturday Vigil mass at 5:30 PM year round. Sunday services at 8 AM, 10 AM and 5 PM Holy Day services, call the office please. 137 Moll Drive, Santa Rosa Beach, just off U.S. 98. 850-267-2558. **www.saintrita-parish.org**.

**SANTA ROSA COMMUNITY CHURCH** Inter-denominational service 10 AM Sundays. 3524 Hwy. 98W, 850-267-7599.

**SHORELINE CHURCH** Non-denominational Sunday services at 8:30, 10 and 11:30 AM Check out our new location at 140 Palmetto Street in Destin, in the old Nighttown building. **www.shorelinechurch.net**.

**ST. ANDREWS EPISCOPAL CHURCH** Service at 10 AM Sundays. 307 Hwy. 98E, Destin, 850-650-2737

**ST. MARKELLA & DEMETRIOS GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH** Sunday service at 10 AM 400 Hwy. 98E, Mary Esther, 850-244-0822.

**ST. SIMON'S ON THE SOUND EPISCOPAL CHURCH** Sunday services at 8 and 10:30 AM and 5 PM 28 Hwy. 98W, FWB, 850-244-8621.

**VILLAGE BAPTIST CHURCH** Sunday services at 9 and 10:30 AM 101 Matthew one block south of Hwy. 98E, Destin, 850-837-8107.



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# Hurricane Michael Over Six Months Later: The Cotton Farmer's Story

By Carrie Hunter

**Over six months** after Hurricane Michael slammed into the Panhandle of Florida, the agriculture industry of Northwest Florida continues to struggle. Assessments by the University of Florida estimate the storm caused \$1.5 billion in damage to the agriculture industry in Northwest Florida.

A cotton farmer, Bud Baggett, walks over to survey the remnants of two large buildings that once stood on his farm. Twisted metal lay in a heap that is almost twice as tall as he is. In the distance, a stand of pine trees that were meant to be his retirement fund, lay broken across the tops like twigs.

Bud and others in Marianna and the surrounding areas grow cotton, peanuts, and pine trees. All three of his crops were destroyed by the storm. The destruction of agriculture went as far north as Southern Georgia. Bud calls this God's Country and notes that after the hurricane, churches were there for the people of Jackson County when they felt the government was ignoring them.

During Hurricane Michael, Bud lost his cotton crop—one that would have been one of the



largest crops on record for his family. He also lost his peanut crop days before they planned to harvest. In a matter of hours, the storm also destroyed storage sheds and damaged the homes of his farm workers.

Insurance covered only part of the losses. Some of Bud's fellow farmers couldn't afford to "go again" and had to close up shop. Baggett and his wife decided to go to the state legislature to ask for help.

For months, the pleas of farmers in the region were ignored. Almost six months after the storm, the state finally approved a Bridge Loan program for farmers. It was capped at \$200,000 for each farm and would allow farmers two years at zero percent interest. However, the loan would escalate to 12 percent after two years, which means any farmers unable to pay would end up in debt from which they would likely never recover. Bud Baggett didn't want to sound ungrateful, but that this was too little too late.

A few miles north, in Greenwood, is a cotton gin that was badly damaged during the storm and was shut down for weeks. The damage had a domino effect on the industry affecting everyone down the line to the cotton gin workers and truck drivers, which in turn affects those worker's ability to afford to rebuild their own homes. The cotton that was able to be harvested from Jackson County had to be shipped to Dothan, Alabama, to be ginned.

Bud Baggett is struggling to find enough workers, especially those with experience. The lack of housing in the region is making it hard for people to stay. But the peanut crop is starting to sprout, and Bud is hopeful that his farm can recover from Hurricane Michael.



# Beachcomberland Places

## ANTIQUES

**DE FRANCE ANTIQUES & FLEA MKT.** with over 80+ vendors, lots of unique items to choose from. 230 S.E. Eglin Pkwy. 850-314-7500.

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## EDUCATIONAL

**EMERALD COAST SCIENCE CENTER** A unique museum allowing visitors to touch and use the exhibits, including optical illusions, a nature room and a wind tunnel. 31 SW Memorial Parkway, Fort Walton Beach, 850-664-1261. [www.ecscience.org](http://www.ecscience.org).

## FARMERS MARKETS

**30A FARMERS MARKETS** Two convenient locations. Contact Diane at 850-499-4697 for more info.

- **GRAND BOULEVARD FARMERS' MARKET AT SANDESTIN** 600 Grand Boulevard, Miramar Beach. Saturdays year-round, 9 AM-1 PM
- **30A FARMERS' MARKET IN ROSEMARY BEACH COMMUNITY** Sundays year-round, 9 AM-1 PM Thursdays (Memorial Day through Labor Day), 9 AM-1 PM

## GOLF

**REGATTA BAY GOLF & COUNTRY CLUB** This award-winning 18-hole course offers an extraordinary golfing experience for players of all skill levels and was named one of *Golf Digest's* Top Places to Play. Equipment rental available. 465 Regatta Bay Blvd., Destin, 850-337-8080. [www.regattabay.com](http://www.regattabay.com).

**SANTA ROSA GOLF & BEACH CLUB** Referred to as the "Purest golf in the Florida

Panhandle" by *Golf Magazine*, this 18-hole, par 72 course offers five sets of tees and a challenge for every skill level of handicap. Situated on 80 pristine acres in the heart of Santa Rosa Beach, this course has a unique character only found around the Highway 30A corridor. Holes three through five wind around a complex of dunes, all within a few hundred yards of the Gulf of Mexico. Dining, driving range, putting green and club rentals available. 334 Golf Club Drive, Santa Rosa Beach, 850-267-2229. [www.santarosaclub.com](http://www.santarosaclub.com).

## MARINE PARKS/ AQUARIUMS

**GULFARIUM MARINE ADVENTURE PARK** Delight in watching dolphins leap and sea lions play during spectacular shows! Or participate and interact directly with these and other remarkable marine animals including stingrays, seals and penguins during interactive programming (advance reservations required). Enjoy educational exhibits and beautiful Gulf views. Open daily at 9 AM 1010 Miracle Strip Parkway SE, Fort Walton Beach, 850-243-9046. [www.gulfarium.com](http://www.gulfarium.com).

## MUSEUMS

**DESTIN HISTORY & FISHING MUSEUM** Open year round, Tuesday through Saturday from 10 AM to 4 PM Call for holiday hours of operation. Admission is \$5 for adults, \$4 for seniors and military and \$3 for children. 108 Stahlman Avenue, Destin, 850-837-6611.

**INDIAN TEMPLE MOUND MUSEUM** Artifacts and displays showing the rich Indian history of this area. 139 Hwy. 98SE, FWB, 850-833-9595.

## MUSIC STORES

**FW VINTAGE RECORDS** Full service record store with over 20,000 vintage vinyl records and new music releases on vinyl. Audio systems, CDs, cassettes, record cleaning supplies, posters, pins, phono cartridges. Gift certificates, rewards program and limited repair service for turntables, speakers and receivers. Open Mondays and Wed.-Sun.,

11 AM-7 PM; Tuesdays, 11 AM to 4:30 PM. 217 Racetrack Road NW, Fort Walton Beach, 850-384-6654. [www.fortwaltonvintagerecords.com](http://www.fortwaltonvintagerecords.com)

**LEITZ MUSIC** Guitars, bass, drums and keyboards, plus recording, DJ and PA equipment. Sales, repairs and lessons. Gibson, Fender, PRS, Taylor, Martin, Ibanez and more. Open Mon.-Sat. 10 AM-7 PM, Sundays noon-5 PM Located in Uptown Station, Fort Walton Beach, 850-863-1099. [www.facebook.com/LeitzMusicFWB](http://www.facebook.com/LeitzMusicFWB).

## PARKS & PUBLIC BEACH ACCESS

**BEASLEY WAYSIDE PARK** Picnic tables, public beach area, barbecue grills, bathhouse, and restrooms. Gulf side of Okaloosa Island, Hwy. 98W.

**BLACKWATER RIVER STATE PARK** NW of FWB off Hwy. 90. You can catch sight of lots of wildlife while camping, canoeing, hiking, and fishing. Milton, 850-983-5363.

**BLUE MOUNTAIN BEACH** Public parking for this access is located at the south end of CR-83 and Scenic Highway 30-A.

**BRACKIN WAYSIDE PARK** Gulf side of Okaloosa Island on Hwy. 98W. Facilities include restaurants, saloons, children's playground, beach volleyball, three beach accesses, showers, public restrooms, and picnic table.

**CAMP HELEN STATE PARK** offers hiking, birding, beachcombing, swimming, fishing, canoeing and kayaking along with nine historic buildings. Located at 23937 Panama City Beach Parkway (U.S. 98), 12 miles east of 331, seven miles west of Highway 79. 850-233-5059.

**CESSNA BAY** Picnic tables, parking, rest rooms and boat access. 1476 N. CR-393.

**CLEMENT E. TAYLOR CITY PARK** This park is named after one of Destin's early settlers and is on Choctawhatchee Bay. Chock full of shade trees, there are picnic areas and restrooms, but no camping. Destin, off Calhoun Avenue.

**DUNE ALLEN** In Dune Allen beach this access has parking, but no bathrooms, showers or picnic area. 5753 Hwy 30-A W., Santa Rosa Beach.

**ED WALLINE** A large public beach access in South Walton, providing handicapped parking, picnic tables, restrooms and showers. Intersection of Hwy 30-A and CR-393.

**EDEN GARDENS STATE PARK** An historic homestead under majestic, moss-draped oaks with a home surrounded by lawns and seasonal gardens. Tours of the home are Thursday through Monday hourly beginning at 10 AM with the last tour at 3 PM The park and picnic areas are open daily from 8 AM to sunset and located on CR-395 north off Hwy 98 in Point Washington. Call 850-231-4214 for more information.

**GRAYTON BEACH STATE RECREATION AREA** Camping, picnics, hiking, swimming, saltwater fishing, and boating. Showers and electricity are part of the Amenities. Access from S. Hwy. 30-A, South Walton, 850-267-8300.

**GRAYTON DUNES** Handicapped and public parking plus beach access. Behind the Red Bar in Grayton Beach.

**GULF SHORE MANOR** Public restrooms, handicapped and public parking. 3468 E. Hwy 30-A, Seagrove Beach.

**GULFVIEW HEIGHTS** Located at the end of Gulfview Heights St, behind Goatfeather's restaurant, this access offers parking, picnic areas and restrooms.

**HENDERSON BEACH STATE PARK** This park has it all: camping, swimming area sheltered picnic areas, grills, and restrooms. But there is no boat ramp and jet skis and other personal watercraft are prohibited. 17000 Hwy. 98W, Destin, 850-837-7550.

**INLET BEACH** This area offers handicapped and public parking, restrooms and dune walkovers to the beach. 438 S. Orange St. in Inlet Beach.

**LEGION BAY** Picnic tables, public parking, boat ramp and restrooms. Intersection of Ponce de Leon and Crest Dr, 191 Crest Dr, Sandestin.

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# Paths to Success: Cerenna Solecki

*This is a new semi-regular feature in Beachcomber, first-person accounts from local folks that have done well in their chosen professions.*

*The first installment is from **Cerenna Solecki**, who is celebrating 25 years in real estate in 2019 and is the driving force behind Cerenity by the Sea Realty, Inc. located in Miramar Beach's Fountain Plaza. She divides her time between her two real estate markets in the Panhandle and Jacksonville ("They call me bi-coastal," she says). Ms. Solecki recently opened Cerenity Cleaning Services—being run by her son Christopher—in both locations.*

*If you know someone whose story would make sense here, email [chris@beachcomber.com](mailto:chris@beachcomber.com) with the whos, whys and whatnots.*

**I always was** an entrepreneur, always had side jobs growing up. I went to college for interior design and drafting, which got me into the housing market. I had a very strong mother who raised seven kids all by herself by selling insurance in the '60s. All of her kids are entrepreneurs with our own companies. I actually ended up number seven of 10 kids. This will automatically give you entrepreneurial traits!

My first maid service, Sunshine Maid and Cleaning Service, I started in Parma, Ohio, in 1989. I did that for about four years, then moved to Medina, Ohio, and started one Medina Maids. It was an easy business to start and grow one customer at a time—it grew to where I had five employees and 60 accounts. I was definitely being my own boss making my own schedule. I loved it!

This led me to a networking group called Women Business Owners where I met two realtors that asked me to work for them. So I sold my cleaning business and started in real estate. I worked for these realtors and saw them making big money and thought I could do really well, too. One year later, in 1994, I got my real estate license. That started my real estate career in Ohio, and I've been doing it for the last 25 years. I've been in the Panhandle for 20 years.

I'm a real people person, so selling real estate came easily to me. I sold my first home in my first week.

My struggles were being a single income provider all those years, working on straight commission, which is pretty scary. But I did it! I've sold everything from a \$17,000 home in Ohio to a \$6.2 million dollar home in Jacksonville and everything in between.

My other big struggle was when the market crashed and when the oil spill came to Destin. Ugh! I moved to Jacksonville, where real estate moves all the time. But my heart was in Destin, so as soon as I could, I moved back. I just had to jump right back in. I had to make all my contacts again. One thing is for sure, Destin is in my heart and soul. It is our home!

I keep my relationships up in Jacksonville, and I have approximately 23 family members there, so I do enjoy going back and forth and selling on both coasts. I have residences in both areas.



My son Christopher has entrepreneurial tendencies, so that's why we started Cerenity Cleaning Services in January 2019. This is a way to get him into his own business. Christopher is 24, and he regularly gets five stars on Facebook for his cleanings. I am also teaching him the business aspect. Recently, he went to his first business meeting, BNI-Synergy, and then we went to my CPA, where he learned tax advice and issues we needed to be concerned with.

My oldest son David works as a manager at an upscale furniture consignment shop in Santa Rosa Beach. He always has had the best work ethic, and his employers tell me he is one of their best workers. During David's time off, he is often found at our local springs and dive areas.

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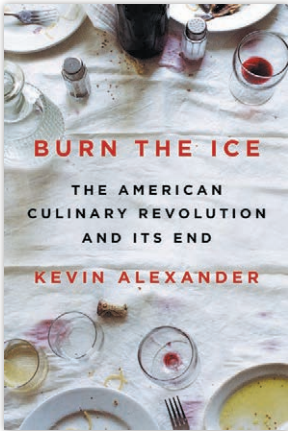
## Books

# Recommended Reading

**Kevin Alexander**  
*Burn the Ice – The American Culinary Revolution and Its End*

Penguin Random House Food journalist Kevin Alexander dives into the dim past—the 1990s—to chronicle the rise, triumph and often hubristic fall of what he terms “The American Culinary Revolution.” Each chapter follows the fortunes of famous and not-famous chefs, cooks, restaurateurs, bartenders, publicists and industry camp followers from Portland to New York, and points in between. There’s politics, racism, sexual harassment, food trucks, and farm-to-table, Kardashian-strength dramatics, plus lots to laugh at. Despite the pessimistic title—bartender slang for quick-melting the ice at closing time—Alexander remains optimistic about the future. After all, it’s only a meal away...

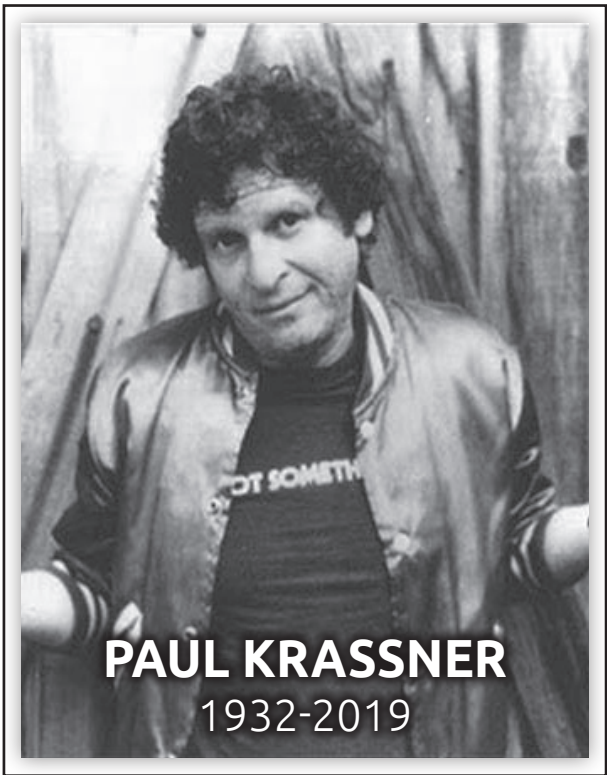
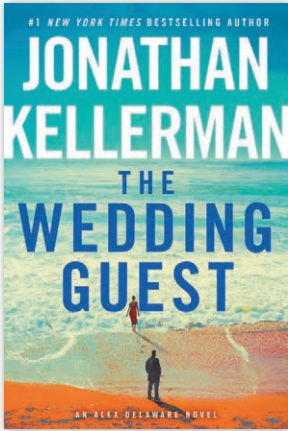
- Bruce Collier



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**Jonathan Kellerman**  
*The Wedding Guest*

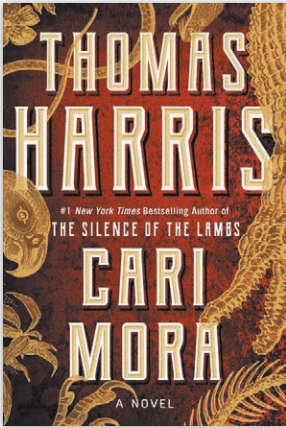
Random House  
The latest Alex Delaware novel is more intriguing than usual. When a dead woman turns up at a wedding, there’s the usual *who done it*, but half the “fun” is finding out *who is it?*



**Thomas Harris**  
*Cari Mora*

Grand Central Publishing  
The female protagonist is strong—inside and out—as she battles a sadistic organ harvester who preys on young women. And you thought Jeffrey Epstein and his pals were sickos. Along the way, there’s a thrilling search for a fortune in gold and lots of violence. Plus a really fine short chapter told from the perspective of a crocodile.

- Chris Manson



## Book Clubs

### THURSDAY, AUG. 15

#### ARTS AND DESIGN SOCIETY BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP

*The Art Center, Fort Walton Beach, 5-6 PM*

[Artsdesignsociety.org](http://Artsdesignsociety.org)

The group meets in the clay studio. Call 850-244-1271 for title of book to be discussed. All are welcome to attend.

### WEDNESDAY, AUG. 21

#### ALL ABOUT BOOKS

*Mary Esther Public Library, 10 AM*

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### THURSDAY, AUG. 22

#### MYSTERY BOOK CLUB

*Mary Esther Public Library, 3:30 PM*

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## Upcoming Books

### AUG. 5

James Patterson and Candice Fox, *The Inn*

### AUG. 6

Sandra Brown, *Outfox*

Robert Crais, *A Dangerous Man: An Elvis Cole and Joe Pike Novel*

JP Delaney, *The Perfect Wife*

Lindsay Teague Moreno, *Boss Up!: This Ain't Your Mama's Business Book*

Hannah Shaw, *Tiny but Mighty: Kitten Lady's Guide to Saving the Most Vulnerable Felines*

Ruth Ware, *The Turn of the Key*

### AUG. 13

C.J. Box, *The Bitterroots*

Katherine Center, *Things You Save in a Fire*

Ibram X. Kendi, *How to Be an Antiracist*

Elizabeth Macneal, *The Doll Factory*

Lauren North, *The Perfect Son*

Alan Paul and Andy Aledort, *Texas Flood: The Inside Story of Stevie Ray Vaughan*

Sister Helen Prejean, *River of Fire: My Spiritual Journey*

Sources: Amazon.com, Netgalley.com, Pauseandplay.com



# The Triumphant Return of Dinner and a Movie to Downtown FWB



The Tringas Theater, circa 1940.

By Samantha Lambert

In 1940, John K. Tringas built the Tringas movie theater on Miracle Strip Parkway in Fort Walton Beach. Owned and operated by the Tringas family, it was the only movie theater around here for decades. Seventy-nine years later, the building still stands. It has seen many changes over the years as various companies took it over, and it even had a brief stint as Apples Disco.

During the 1970s, the building was remodeled, and the sloped floor was changed into leveled areas so that tables and chairs could be put in. A kitchen was added, so patrons could watch a movie and enjoy a meal.

In late 2018, NBI (Nabors Brothers, Inc.) purchased the building from the Tringas family. A major renovation of the building took place—inside and outside—conducted by the owners of the building and the new business owners. The walls of the theater were stripped to reveal the original brick and terra cotta walls. The electrical, plumbing, and HVAC were overhauled, and the front of the building was renovated. The renovation took about nine months.

The new owners of **Suds n Cinema** are Steve Caldarelli, Rodney and Julie Walker, Tony Giordano, and Matt Robinson. All have been friends since their high school years at Fort Walton Beach's Choctawhatchee High School in the 1980s. What the friends have created is a combination of Art Deco and Soda Fountain motif.

Comfortable red chairs are set at big round tables throughout the theater and in the balcony section. In the back of the ground level are three booths respectively named the Marilyn Monroe (the Duchess), the James Dean (the Delinquent), and the John Wayne (the Duke). A concession stand is located in the bright black and white floored lobby along with pictures of the theater from the past. The theater is ADA compliant with wheelchair access on the Brooks Street side of the theater.

Suds n Cinema is considered to be a second-run theater. When a new movie has finished its run at a bigger venue, Suds n Cinema acquires the movie



The newly renovated Suds n Cinema in downtown Fort Walton Beach.

before it is released to video. All ticket prices are \$5, and a movie is shown every night (seven days a week) at 7 PM. Tickets go on sale at 6:15.

The menu includes traditional movie fare like popcorn and candy, but there's also pizza, hot dogs, and panini sandwiches. You can wash it down with soda, water, wine, and beer. There are domestic beers as well as offerings from the local Props Brewery. The main parking area is public parking just to the west of the theater, and there is additional parking across the street from the theater.

Suds n Cinema is available for rental for private parties. There is room for 150 seated patrons with available chairs for more. There is a newly constructed stage with power outlets and overhead lighting—perfect for bands, performers and speakers. The theater has a digital projector that offers high-quality definition on a movie-size screen



that can be seen clearly from 75 feet away in the balcony area. Private movie showings for kids can be arranged during a child's birthday party.

"We want this theater to be a gathering place where you can have a friendly night out, and we want people to be comfortable," says co-owner **Rodney Walker**. Suds n Cinema is also a way to bring some fun back to downtown F-Dub.

Discover more at [www.sudsn cinema.com](http://www.sudsn cinema.com). Text **SUDS** to 888111 and receive notifications of upcoming showtimes. Suds n Cinema is located in downtown Fort Walton Beach. Call 850-226-SUDS (7837) for more information.

## OPENING SOON IN THEATERS

**AUG. 2**



**Fast & Furious Presents Hobbs & Shaw.** Dwayne Johnson, Jason Statham, Vanessa Kirby, Idris Elba.

**AUG. 9**

**The Art of Racing in the Rain.** Kevin Costner puts on the dog in this adaptation of Garth Stein's bestselling novel.

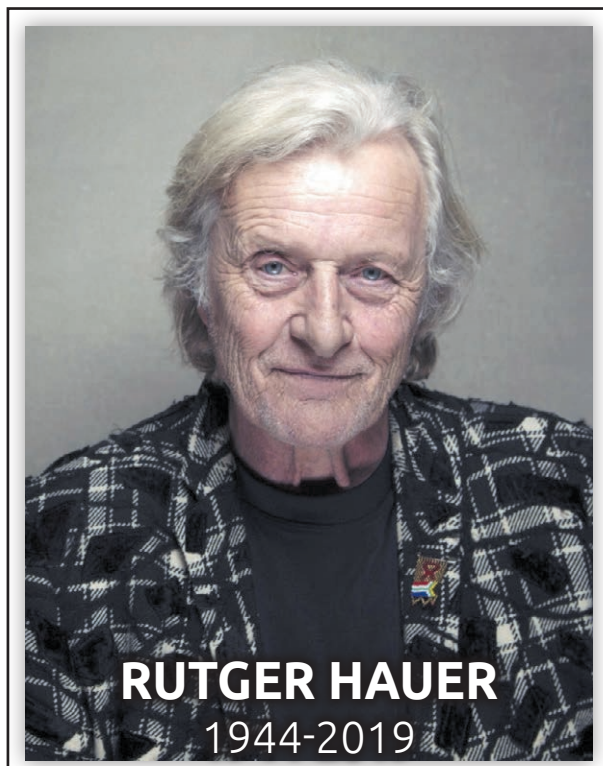
**Brian Banks.** Aldis Hodge as an all-American high school football star wrongly convicted of a crime he didn't commit.

**Dora and the Lost City of Gold.** Isabela Moner, Jeffrey Wahlberg, Eugenio Derbez, Eva Longoria, Michael Pena.

**The Kitchen.** Three Hell's Kitchen wives are left to run to rackets when their husbands are sent up the river.

**Scary Stories to Tell in the Dark.** A heartwarming family horror flick.

Source: Metacritic.com





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#### MONDAY, AUG. 5

**FREE MONDAY MOVIE NIGHT**  
HarborWalk Village, Destin, 8 PM  
[HarborWalkVillage.com](http://HarborWalkVillage.com)

Bring the family for a screening of *Open Season* on the main stage. Onsite parking is \$10.

#### TUESDAY, AUG. 6

**FREE FAMILY MOVIES ON THE BEACH**

*Al's Beach Club & Burger Bar, The Boardwalk, Okaloosa Island, 8 PM*

[ALSBEACHCLUB.COM/MOVIE NIGHT](http://ALSBEACHCLUB.COM/MOVIE NIGHT)

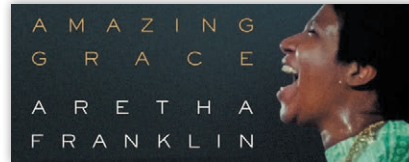
FREE showing of *Frozen*, sing along version.

#### THURSDAY, AUG. 8

**SYDNEY POLLACK'S "AMAZING GRACE"**

*The REP Theatre, Seaside, 7:30 PM*

[LoveTheREP.com](http://LoveTheREP.com)



The long-shelved (and universally acclaimed) documentary of gospel music \*among other things\* great Aretha Franklin. We can't wait to see this one. Tickets are \$12.50 (\$10 for REP members).

#### MONDAY, AUG. 12

**FREE MONDAY MOVIE NIGHT**

*HarborWalk Village, Destin, 8 PM*

[HarborWalkVillage.com](http://HarborWalkVillage.com)

Bring the family for a screening of *Big Hero 6* on the main stage. Onsite parking is \$10.

#### TUESDAY, AUG. 13

**FREE FAMILY MOVIES ON THE BEACH**

*Al's Beach Club & Burger Bar, The Boardwalk, Okaloosa Island, 8 PM*

[ALSBEACHCLUB.COM/MOVIE NIGHT](http://ALSBEACHCLUB.COM/MOVIE NIGHT)

FREE showing of Steven Spielberg's *Hook*.

### UPCOMING DVD/BLU-RAY/VOD RELEASES

#### AUG. 2

**Otherhood.** Three neglected moms travel to NYC to reconnect with their adult sons. With Angela Bassett, Felicity Huffman, and Academy Award winner Patricia Arquette. Netflix.

#### AUG. 6

**Amazing Grace.** Universally acclaimed Aretha Franklin documentary directed by Sydney Pollack.

**The Curse of La Llorona.** There's no escaping this horrible apparition!

**Pokemon Detective Pikachu**

**Poms.** Diane Keaton, Pam Grier, Rhea Perlman, Jacki Weaver.

**The Souvenir.** Honor Swinton Byrne, Tom Burke, Tilda Swinton.

**Tolkien.** Portrait of the *Lord of the Rings* creator as a young man.

#### AUG. 13

**Avengers: Endgame.** Robert Downey Jr. and about two-dozen other A-list actors as Marvel superheroes.



**Clarence Clemons: Who Do You Think I Am?** Nick Mead's 2019 documentary about The Big Man.

**Unplanned.** The not-so-true story of Planned Parenthood clinic director Abby Johnson earned an "A-plus" rating from Cinemascore audiences and an "F-minus" from critics.

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# Sketching Things Out: Kids in the Hall's Kevin McDonald

By Nikki Hedrick

*"Comedy is like science, it's everywhere. But I'm not a scientist. I'll teach the comedy thing."*

- Kevin McDonald

In 1988, a TV sketch-comedy series debuted on HBO. *The Kids in the Hall* was heralded by critics and fans alike as a boundary-breaking series, in part for how it regularly discarded notions of the fourth wall. It only aired for five seasons, but cable syndication created a wider swath of fans like myself.

After the series wrapped, the Kids continued on with individual projects and as a troupe with the 1996 movie *Brain Candy*, comedy tours, and a 2008 miniseries.

We all have movies that hold a special place in our hearts. They give us joy and quotable one-liners, often when things didn't seem so great in our own lives. *Brain Candy* is at the top of my list, so to say that I was nervous to interview **Kevin McDonald** (co-founder and member of the Kids) would be an understatement.

"There's not many of people who've seen *Brain Candy* more than once, so you're in a rare cult. Enjoy it," McDonald tells me.

The newly formed Indie Art Council Pensacola is responsible for bringing McDonald to Vinyl Music Hall in Pensacola **Aug. 14** for both a daylong workshop and a performance. The organization dubs it a prelude to their planned 2020 comedy festival, scheduled for January.

"The workshop I've been doing for a few years. I'm teaching the old Kids In the Hall method," says McDonald. "Before we had the TV show, we were stage crew—we wrote for improv. We would think of ideas, we would bring the ideas to our meetings. The meetings were half writing meetings and half rehearsal, because when you write for improv they're the same thing—writing and rehearsal.

"So we would take the ideas we liked, and then we would just talk about them, plan an informal structure. Then we'd improvise them a few times until we sort of had the scene. That's the method that I'm teaching."

When asked about favorite moments from the workshop, McDonald in all his McDonald-ness says, "I've been to

many, many cities in North America, many towns and cities. I visited Bozeman, Montana for the first time.

"Oh! The horrible thing happened in Bozeman. So it's not the favorite moment, but it's a moment I'll always remember. He's okay, everything's good.

"This nice guy, he was sort of like the most talented guy in the workshop—he was really good. And he was the one driving from the hotel to the theater, for the two days that I was there. And then the second day, we finished the last workshop and we had like an hour before the show. He'd been doing this all weekend, so he said, 'Do you want me to drive you to the hotel?' And I said, 'No, I think I'll just stay.'

"Part of the show was just me doing standup, so I had to figure out what I was going to do. So he drove and he got in a car accident. He broke some ribs and did something to his sternum, and something caved in, in his chest. And apparently the passenger seat was demolished, and that's where I would've been."

McDonald quickly follows that by admitting, "I know you were looking for favorite moments—there's lots of moments where I don't think is scene is working, and they somehow figure it out. I help them, and those are amazing moments. And those are the moments that really happen. And here's another moment..."

McDonald then launches into how Bob Odenkirk (*Better Call Saul*, *Mr. Show*) wanted to do an improv show with him while he was in New Mexico. Due to a series of events, mild sleep deprivation, and bad advice from the theater hosting the event (Odenkirk didn't call and confirm he would be attending), McDonald left the state. He found out some time later that Odenkirk did, in fact, show up at the theater.

When it comes to the subject of comedy, McDonald says, "I've been convinced over the 30 years I've been doing comedy, that comedy is important. And I didn't think it was, I didn't think it wasn't, I didn't think about it—I just did it. Basically, it's just the only thing I could do. I realized when I was 13 or 14 that I had this thing called comedy timing, and even though I can't think of jokes I could certainly think of vaguely funny things to say. And I could say them funny, because I could know the time and when to say it. So I did it, but

I didn't do it because I thought it was important.

"Lots of people tell me things, like watching your show gets them through the breakup of their marriage or the loss of someone in their family, or they were in a car accident. I hear this a lot. A lot of our fans are bad drivers, and they were in car accidents. And then I'm doing a new one-man show, which I'm doing a week in New York on 42nd Street in August. But I was doing it in Toronto and it went very well, and some guy came up to me, he was a little drunk, but he said, 'It's medicine. What you do is medicine.'"

McDonald is quick to quantify the weighty compliment, but I'll happily agree with the buzzed fellow. It's medicine.

Experience it for yourself Aug. 14. Pensacola's own improv comedy troupe, Improvable Cause will open the show. McDonald's performance will include sketches from the workshop students, standup, improv, and more.



Publicity Photo

Keep up with McDonald and the rest of the Kids at [www.kidsinthehall.ca](http://www.kidsinthehall.ca). His podcast, *Kevin McDonald's Kevin McDonald Show*, will be returning soon and is available on all podcast platforms.

## Upcoming Shows...and More

### THURSDAY, AUG. 1

#### ACT4MYSTERY'S "REDNECK RIVALRY"

La Paz, Destin, Seating at 6:30 PM, Dinner and Show at 7

[Act4Mystery.com](http://Act4Mystery.com)

Paula Hilton and her award-winning troupe celebrate family, romantic entanglements, and...bacon! With **Sarah Jane Brock**, **Michelle Foley**, **David Smith**, **Sally Whitesell**, and *Beachcomber's* **Chris Manson** as "Bunky Wonky." Cost is \$34.95 for dinner (delicious fajita bar!) and show. VIP packages available. Call 850-862-2885 for additional info.

#### EMERALD COAST THEATRE COMPANY'S "MUCH ADO ABOUT NOTHING"

Grand Park, Grand Boulevard, Miramar Beach, 8 PM

[EmeraldCoastTheatre.org](http://EmeraldCoastTheatre.org)

A comedic and family-friendly spin on Shakespeare's immortal classic. FREE! Abrakadoodle Education and Parties NWF will be on hand for kids' crafts before the show, 7-8 PM.

### FRIDAY, AUG. 2

#### FIRST FRIDAY COMEDY NIGHT

Enlightened Studios, Fort Walton Beach, 9 PM-Midnight

#### STAGE CRAFTERS' "RUMORS"

Fort Walton Beach Civic Auditorium, 7:30 PM

[www.stagecraftersfwb.com/buy-tickets](http://www.stagecraftersfwb.com/buy-tickets)

Neil Simon at his comedic best. Lawyer Ken Gorman and his wife Chris are the first to arrive at the 10th wedding anniversary party for Deputy Mayor of New York Charley Brock and his wife Myra. But things aren't going



Stage Crafters' production of Neil Simon's **RUMORS** opens Friday, Aug. 2, in Fort Walton Beach.

quite to plan... All the kitchen staff is gone, Myra is missing, and Charley has shot himself in the head!

Tickets are \$20 and available online. If sold out, no tickets will be available at the door.

### SATURDAY, AUG. 3

#### THE SIDE SPLITTERS STAND-UP COMEDY

HarborWalk Theater, HarborWalk Village, Destin, 9 PM

[Harborwalktheater.com/sidesplitters](http://Harborwalktheater.com/sidesplitters)

Adult comedy with the Panama City-based troupe. Tickets are \$20 in advance (purchase online) or \$25 at the door.





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### SUNDAY, AUG. 4

### STAGE CRAFTERS' "RUMORS"

Fort Walton Beach Civic Auditorium, 2 PM  
[www.stagecraftersfwb.com/buy-tickets](http://www.stagecraftersfwb.com/buy-tickets)  
Tickets are \$20 and available online. If sold out, no tickets will be available at the door.

### MONDAY, AUG. 5

### CAPT. DAVY AND THE CROSSBONES CREW PIRATE SHOW

Al's Beach Club & Burger Bar, Okaloosa Island,  
5-9 PM  
[ALSBEACHCLUB.COM](http://ALSBEACHCLUB.COM)  
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### THURSDAY, AUG. 8

### ACT4MYSTERY'S "A VACATION TO DIE FOR"

La Paz, Destin, Seating at 6:30 PM, Dinner and Show at 7  
[Act4Mystery.com](http://Act4Mystery.com)  
Paula Hilton's lovable Bobo, Alabama rednecks are back, and they're taking the Emerald Coast by storm. Also, someone is going to die! With Cynthia Bergquist, Jim Downum, Mary Ann Troiano, and Beachcomber's own Chris Manson

as "Bunky Wonky." Cost is \$34.95 for dinner (delicious fajita bar!) and show. VIP packages available. Call 850-862-2885 for additional info.

### FRIDAY, AUG. 9

### STAGE CRAFTERS' "RUMORS"

Fort Walton Beach Civic Auditorium, 7:30 PM  
[www.stagecraftersfwb.com/buy-tickets](http://www.stagecraftersfwb.com/buy-tickets)  
Tickets are \$20 and available online. If sold out, no tickets will be available at the door.

### SATURDAY, AUG. 10

### THE SIDE SPLITTERS IMPROV COMEDY

HarborWalk Theater, HarborWalk Village, Destin, 9 PM  
[Harborwalktheater.com/sidesplitters](http://Harborwalktheater.com/sidesplitters)  
Adult comedy with the Panama City-based troupe. Tickets are \$20 in advance (purchase online) or \$25 at the door.

### STAGE CRAFTERS' "RUMORS"

Fort Walton Beach Civic Auditorium, 7:30 PM  
[www.stagecraftersfwb.com/buy-tickets](http://www.stagecraftersfwb.com/buy-tickets)  
Tickets are \$20 and available online. If sold out, no tickets will be available at the door.

### SUNDAY, AUG. 11

### STAGE CRAFTERS' "RUMORS"

Fort Walton Beach Civic Auditorium, 2 PM  
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Tickets are \$20 and available online. If sold out, no tickets will be available at the door.



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# The Elements of Style: Destin's 1835 Porch Bar

By Bruce Collier

I stopped by **1835 Porch Bar** on a Thursday evening a few weeks ago, getting there early enough to catch the sunset and slip through the throng of waiting diners.

The bar takes its name from the year that Leonard, George and William Destin sailed from Connecticut in three ships. A hurricane near Cape Canaveral carried off two ships (as well as George and William), leaving Leonard to go on and found Destin. The bar is part of the popular Dewey Destin's Harborside restaurant, and offers diners a comfortable, homelike place to sit and refresh themselves while waiting for a table. Or just sit and drink while *not* waiting for a table.

There were only a few customers when I arrived. Like the name says, the bar sits on a porch, overlooking a broad paved patio area, furnished with tables and chairs, some open-air, some shaded by umbrellas. The patio offers a view of the fishing docks. Live music and other events are also featured on select nights.

The liquid menu offers craft cocktails, wines, draft beers (didn't see any bottles). There are also appetizers like steamed shrimp, tuna or cheese dip, gumbo, crab claws, and ceviche, plus burgers, grilled cheese, BLT and bratwurst. The night I came, they had just started serving a "limited" selection from the Dewey Destin restaurant main menu—fried platters, seafood entrees and sandwiches. This necessitated extra work for the servers, who moved among the now quickly filling tables to answer questions and take orders. Help came from the main restaurant as time went on, and everyone looked to be getting served on time.

As for the bar, I got to talk to head bartender Tarra Wixom, and associate bartender Samantha B (Sam). Looking over the stock on the shelves, I asked about rye whiskey. Tarra pointed out two bottles—Manifest (distilled in Jacksonville) and Wild Buck (from Weeki Wachee). She suggested the Manifest for an Old Fashioned, which is just what I hoped she'd say.

Sam made the drink while Tarra and I commiserated about the sin of muddling cherries and orange slices, and sloshing club soda into Old Fashioneds. Sam did it right—simple syrup, Angostura bitters, orange peel to muddle and remove, rye, stir, single large ice cube, another orange peel for the rim and garnish. The result was simplicity itself—the whiskey leads, the bitters lend spice, and there's that lovely scent of orange oil.

Tarra appears to be a traditionalist about craft cocktails ("I find the oldest recipe and use that one," she says). She chooses all the cocktails on the seasonal menu, which varies, and is also a bar consultant.



The bar menu listed a "Cocktail Du Jour" (Whiskey Sour), The Basic (strawberry-infused vodka and rhubarb bitters), Heat at the Beach (habanero-infused vodka, coconut-infused syrup), 3 Hour Tour (rum and citrus with orgeat), O'Keefe (tequila and prickly pear), 1835 Hurricane (rums and fruits), Hemingway Daiquiri (rum, maraschino liqueur and grapefruit), B Cubed (bourbon, basil and blueberries), Barking Dog (gin, citrus, black pepper syrup), Karma Kameleon (gin, citrus, ginger) and Watermelon Daisy (bourbon, mint, watermelon).

They also make a Manhattan—I know because I asked. I had to wait in line for my next round, but I noticed the crowd now included families with kids, who played cornhole toss and ran around. A guy at a neighborhood place was doing a pretty decent cover of "Son of a Sailor."

Sam made the Manhattan. Tarra was out helping a couple navigate the cocktail menu, suggesting a substitute for a boat-drink they were wanting. The rye this time was Wild Buck, with Carpano Antica vermouth and stemmed Bada Bing cherry. The Wild

Buck rye was a little drier, grainier, with a fresh-baked bread scent and biting taste that's a good match for a soft and velvety vermouth like Carpano Antica.

I took my time with it, watching the beads on the glass and trying not to listen to the people at the table next to me. They were discussing flesh-eating bacteria, long past the point of educational interest. There's one in every bar. They always sit near me. Even at Epcot—you can ask my wife.

**1835 PORCH BAR AT DEWEY  
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## AMERICAN

**BAXTER’S BAR & GRILLE** is off the beaten path but well worth it. Great food and environment for all. Our burgers and deli meat are cut fresh daily, never frozen. Try our smoked wings or hand-tossed pizza. Great prices! Join us for your events or parties in our dining room. Several TVs, pool tables, darts. Karaoke Thursdays from 8 to 10 PM and live music/open mic with **Cole Jordan** Fridays at 8 PM. Cribbage Tuesday nights starting at 7. Veteran owned. 605 James Lee Road, Fort Walton Beach, 850-812-6868.

**RESTAURANT PARADIS** Nestled in the beautiful coastal town of Rosemary Beach, you'll find this hidden gem that loyal customers like to call home. Evoking a warm neighborhood feel, the dining area features an understated wine country elegance. Open for dinner beginning at 5 PM, Paradis is committed to serving fresh seasonal ingredients, which celebrate local produce and an abundance of fresh Gulf seafood, along with prime steaks and fine wines. Paradis welcomes wedding receptions, rehearsal dinners, and all celebrations, both intimate and large. Come join us! Located at 82 S Barrett Square, Rosemary Beach. Call 850-534-0400 or visit [www.restaurantparadis.com](http://www.restaurantparadis.com).

**SLICK MICK’S** is a family-friendly sports bar and a locals' favorite. Home of the Slick Mick's Philly Cheesesteak, award-winning pizza and much more. Live music every Friday and Saturday, and a Sunday brunch that will knock your church socks off! Full football coverage—catch SEC, BIG 10 and NFL games, plus UFC fight nights. Kids eat FREE every Tuesday. Full bar with a variety of beers on tap. Daily happy hour, 3-7 PM. Can't make it in? That's okay, we have delivery. Veteran owned and operated, we are proud to serve our community and offer military discounts. 19 Eglin Parkway NE, Fort Walton Beach, 850-864-5577.

## ASIAN

**LIN'S ASIAN CUISINE** Enjoy carefully prepared and artfully served Chinese and Southeast Asian dishes in a pleasant and welcoming atmosphere. Chicken, beef, pork, duck, fish and shellfish are cooked to suit most tastes, and Lin's offers your favorites—General Tso's chicken, Mongolian beef, pad thai, lo mein and kung pao, AMong many others. Beer and wine. \$2-15. 130 Scenic Gulf Dr. #5B, Miramar Beach, 850-424-5888.

## BAKERIES

**CAKEMASTER’S BAKERY II** Quality baked goods since 1971, made from scratch on the premises by a fourth generation baker. Decorated cakes for all occasions. New Sweet Expressions cake collection. Breakfast pastries—Danish (cheese, pecan, fruit), assorted coffee cakes, cinnamon rolls, crumb cake, strudel, bienstich, pecan crispies. Delicious delights—brownies, regulah, cream fingers, biscotti, cookies (wedding, sugar, chocolate chip, raisin, fruit bars, holiday) and more. Refrigerated desserts—éclairs, Boston cream pie, cheesecake, black forest cake, Italian rum cake, Napoleons, French cream puffs and more. Come on by and see us. 105 Beach Drive Suite A-3, Fort Walton Beach (behind Pizza Hut on Racetrack Road), 850-862-4911. Closed Mondays.

## BARBEQUE

**BACK BEACH BARBECUE** offers a delicious yet refined menu highlighted by 12-hour slow cooked meats, simple homemade sides, gluten-free options and four sauces made special in house. At the center of attention are the restaurant's two wood fired pits, "Smokey"

and "The Bandit," easily viewed and smelled from the covered patio, outdoor patio or via two garage doors which give the restaurant a true open-air feel. Back Beach Barbecue also offers catering for private and corporate events, delivery and a mobile food truck. The restaurant is open seven days a week for breakfast, lunch, and dinner, beginning at 6:30 AM. Located at 19714 Panama City Beach Parkway, Panama City Beach. Call 850-249-0822 or visit [www.backbeachbarbecue.com](http://www.backbeachbarbecue.com).

**LILLIE’S Q** Award-winning on the national level barbecue restaurant located at 9848 Hwy. 98 W., Miramar Beach, approximately seven miles east of the Mid Bay Bridge. We offer barbecue that represents all areas of the U.S., such as pulled pork, baby back ribs, smoked chicken breast and beef tri-tip (sliced sirloin). All meat products are slow smoked using natural wood and lump charcoal. Seven sauce choices with delicious side orders and the best banana pudding in the Panhandle. We offer a wrap around porch. No inside seating. Hours: Tue.-Sat., 11 AM-6 PM Call ahead orders welcomed! 850-654-3911.

## BREAKFAST & MORE

**CAMILLE’S CAFE** Start your day with coffee and breakfast. We feature fluffy eggs, cinnamon rolls, apple pie muffins, fresh juice and smoothies. For lunch, enjoy our fresh caught tuna salad on an Asiago cheese bagel, Sriracha turkey sandwich or Mediterranean chicken salad sandwich. Plus all day Bloody Marys, mimosas, beer, and daiquiris made with fresh-squeezed juice. Join our party! 2931 Scenic Highway 98, Destin, 850-337-8860.

**GRITS AND GRIND** In 2011, a love affair between Memphis and the NBA Grizzlies began. With a Grit and Grind style of basketball, this southern team exemplifies hard work. Our owners bring the same commitment to hard work and fresh food at Grits & Grind, a breakfast establishment located in Seacrest Beach. We serve up a great southern breakfast and more, with friendly service in a fun atmosphere. Open daily, 7-11 AM. 10343 E Co. Hwy. 30A, Seacrest Beach, 850-231-4021. [gritsandgrindbreakfast.com](http://gritsandgrindbreakfast.com).

**THE LOCAL MARKET** Open 7 AM-3 PM daily. Fresh pressed juices, coffee, breakfast, gourmet sandwiches, homemade ice cream and more. 950 Gulf Shore Drive, Destin, 850-460-8979.

**THE PANCAKERY** Serving breakfast and lunch daily from 7 AM - 2 PM Featuring build your own pancakes and omelettes! Waffles, French Toast, crepes, benedicts, bananas foster and all traditional breakfast items. Also, lunch menu includes sandwiches, burgers, salads, wraps, and loaded potatoes. Now serving bloody marys, mimosas and cold beer. 960 Hwy 98 East, Suite 104, Destin. 850-269-0791.

## BURGERS

**AL’S BEACH CLUB & BURGER BAR** Located on the Okaloosa Island Boardwalk, 850-226-4100. [ALSBEACHCLUB.COM](http://ALSBEACHCLUB.COM)

## CASUAL DINING

**GRAFFITI & THE FUNKY BLUES SHACK** Destin, 850-424-6650. [GraffitiFBS.com](http://GraffitiFBS.com)

## CONTEMPORARY

**LOUIS LOUIS** Louis Louis is another dining hit. This "sister" restaurant to the famous Red Bar offers a short but all-star menu of fish, chicken, pork, crab cakes and pasta entrees, served in fat portions by a friendly staff. Do whatever

you have to do, but don't skip dessert. Colorful décor, comfy tables, full bar, \$5-25. 35 Mussett Bayou Rd., Santa Rosa Beach, 850-267-1500.

## DINNER & A SHOW

**GRAFFITI & THE FUNKY BLUES SHACK** If you're looking for something different in town for the whole family, come enjoy Graffiti & The Funky Blues Shack. We've been around for 20-plus years doing what we do best – FOOD + MUSIC! Our dishes are tried and true and are sure to satisfy everyone in your group. Our menu showcases a little bit of everything. We offer some of the best gourmet pizzas and pastas in town. We also prepare fresh caught Gulf seafood and perfectly grilled filets. Vegetarian? No worries, we've got you covered, too. While enjoying your delectable meal, you will also experience listening or boogieing to some of the best local and out-of-town talent. We have Jazz Jams, Blues Jams, and everything in between. We weren't voted Best Live Music Venue three years in a row for nothing! Summer music schedule is seven days a week—Sun.-Thu., 7-10 PM and Fri. and Sat., 8 PM until... We have a full bar and offer an early Happy Hour from 4 to 7 PM, as well as a late night Happy Hour Friday and Saturday (check website for time). Located at 34902 Emerald Coast Parkway in Destin. For reservations, call 850-424-6650. Full menu and music schedule at [GraffitiFBS.com](http://GraffitiFBS.com).

**REDD’S FUELING STATION** a/k/a Redd’s Pub N Song, specializes in great food and music. The menu is simple but delicious, including slow cooked beef brisket, sweet and spicy babybacks and fried green tomato BLTs. **Redd the Singing Bartender** sings as she bartends, hosts and serves on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays—customers can participate by requesting songs for tips. Redd offers over 350 songs to choose from. Wednesday is Open Mic Night, the longest running open mic on 30A with musicians of all levels and ages welcome. We have the sound system, you bring your instrument and your talent. Friday nights are live music. Redd likes to promote local musicians and several popular local bands had their first gigs here, including the Luke Langford Band and Mose Wilson and the Delta Twang. Dinner reservations for four or more are highly recommended. Located at 2320 West County Highway 30A in Blue Mountain Beach. Call 850-325-0252 for information and reservations. Visit [www.reddsfuel.com](http://www.reddsfuel.com) and find **Redd’s Pub N Song** on Facebook.

## ECLECTIC

**CAFÉ THIRTY-A** Cafe Thirty-A has been here a while. Finding out why can be a delicious experience. A nightly-changing menu offers steaks, chicken, pork, lamb, and local seafood elegantly prepared with imaginative sauces and sides, courteously served in a beautiful beach-house atmosphere. Lobster bisque, stone crab claws, seasonal fish and shellfish, and wood oven-baked pizzas. Full bar. \$8-36. 3899 E. Scenic Highway 30-A, Seagrove Beach, 850-231-2166.

**GRAFFITI & THE FUNKY BLUES SHACK** Destin, 850-424-6650. [GraffitiFBS.com](http://GraffitiFBS.com)

**THE RED BAR** The place to go—and say you went—in Grayton Beach. The Red Bar offers breakfast, lunch and dinner, with a short but expertly prepared menu of sandwiches, soup and salads for lunch, chicken, local fish, pasta and crab cakes for dinner. The apple dumpling will haunt you, in a good way. Live music, and more local color than you'll know what to do with. Full bar, \$4-21. 70 Hotz Avenue, Grayton Beach, 850-231-1008. [www.theredbar.com](http://www.theredbar.com).

## FINE DINING

**EDWARD’S FINE FOOD AND WINE** Relax, you're at Edward's. Open everyday from 5 PM until everyone is full. Courtyard and indoor seating available. Join us at the chef's counter, and watch as the team prepares gourmet dishes to order. We love children, so for safety and as a courtesy to others, children must remain seated with their parents. We operate on a first come first serve and do not take reservations. We look forward to serving you. 66 Main Street, Rosemary Beach, 850-231-0550. [Edwards30a.com](http://Edwards30a.com).

## GERMAN/AMERICAN

**FOKKERS PUB** German sausages and homemade schnitzels go great with German beer! Brick oven pizza, grilled or fried wings, burgers, sandwiches and salad bar – there's something for everyone! Live music Wednesdays and Fridays. Located at 215 Miracle Strip Pkwy SE Unit #1 in Downtown Fort Walton Beach. 850-244-6666.

## HEALTHY DINING

**GEORGE’S AT ALYS BEACH** Established in 2008, George's has offered regional coastal fare infused with global flavors to the quaint town of Alys Beach. We craft all of our dishes using locally sourced organic produce and the freshest seafood available, and present each with a generous helping of love. Our dishes fall into two categories—Behave and Misbehave. The Behave section features organic, spa-inspired dishes, while the Misbehave side touts traditional beach fare like fried seafood baskets and po-boys. The menu is rounded out with a thoughtfully curated wine list and a selection of decadent desserts. Our charming beach cottage provides the perfect backdrop for a casual dinner with friends and family. Dine indoors in our airy yet cozy dining room, or soak in the beautiful Florida sunshine on our front deck or screened porches. Open 11 AM-3 PM and 5-9 PM 30 Castle Harbour Dr., Panama City Beach, 850-641-0017, [georgesatallysbeach.net](http://georgesatallysbeach.net).

## ITALIAN

**CIAO ITALIA BISTRO** Dine inside or outside at Guglielmo Ianni's latest bistro. The big menu offers classic Italian appetizers like bruschetta, caprese and calamari, and a range of pasta, chicken, meat, fish and shellfish entrees—puttanesca, Bolognese, parmigiana, pescatore, and some house originals. Daily specials, family dining options, comfortable atmosphere and friendly service. Full bar. Open Monday through Saturday, 5-10 PM 985 U.S. 98 East, Suite F, Destin, 850-842-4677.

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**TUSCANY ITALIAN BISTRO** Authentic Italian cuisine includes pasta, freshest seafood, tender veal and more. A true taste of Italy--beautiful Italian decor with handpainted murals. Live Entertainment by Eclipse (Don and AManda), Special Happy Hour from 5 to 8 PM 36178 Emerald Coast Pkwy. Next to City Market in Destin. 850-650-2451.

## LATIN / MEXICAN

**BUD & ALLEY’S TACO BAR** Shake the sand off your feet, choose a colorful table, and get ready to experience South of the Border favorites, Florida-style. Baja fish tacos, homemade guacamole, burritos, top shelf margaritas, and ice cold cerveza hit the spot for lunch or



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dinner. Open daily, 11 AM-9 PM 2236 East Scenic Highway 30A, Seaside, 850-231-4781. **BudAndAlleys.com.**

**LA COCINA** is a Latin-inspired restaurant featuring both specialty dishes with a Latin flair as well as classic Tex-Mex cuisine. Nestled between Rosemary Beach and Alys Beach (in Seacrest Beach), the friendly staff offers some of the best drinks along 30A, including house-made mojitos, sangria, and a selection of fresh-squeezed lime margaritas. La Cocina is always voted as one of South Walton's hot spots for Mexican cuisine. All dishes are prepared from scratch using the freshest ingredients available. Open daily for lunch, 11:30 AM-3 PM, dinner from 5 to 9 PM. Seacrest Beach, 850-231-4021.

**LA PAZ** offers just about anything you'd want from a Mexican-Southwestern kitchen, including tamales, tacos, fajitas, burritos, enchiladas and quesadillas, plus a thoughtfully prepared list of grilled local fish and shellfish and imaginative spins on classics. Daily dinner specials, full bar. \$15-25. 950 Gulf Shore Drive, Destin, 850-837-2247. **www.lapazdestin.com.**

**PEPITO'S MEXICAN GRILL** An enormous menu, plenty of room, and a friendly staff make Pepito's a good bet for a Mexican snack or feast. Traditional and unusual fare includes carnitas, enchiladas, fajitas, vegetarian dishes, steaks and seafood specialties. \$4-19. 757 Harbor Blvd, Destin, 650-7734. Additional locations in Bluewater Bay and Fort Walton Beach. **www.mypepitos.com.**

**ROCKIN TACOS GRILL & TEQUILA BAR** Located on the Okaloosa Island Boardwalk, 850-226-8226. **ROCKINTACOS.COM**

## PIZZA & PASTA

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**GRAFFITI & THE FUNKY BLUES SHACK** Destin, 850-424-6650. **GraffitiFBS.com**

**MELLOW MUSHROOM PIZZA BAKERY** Widely, wildly assorted menu of stone baked pizzas, hoagies, calzones, salads, and specialty items. Pizzas traditional and exotic include pesto, jerk chicken, gourmet white, and Magical Mystery Tour. Colorful psychedelic décor and friendly service. \$4-25. 960 Hwy 98E, Sunsations Plaza, Destin, 650-6420.

## SEAFOOD

**CAPT. DAVE'S ON THE GULF** A tradition since 1977, Capt. Dave's is a go-to place for the kind of seafood that made this area famous. A time-tested selection of fried, grilled, and broiled fish, shellfish, steaks and chicken, with house and seasonal specialties. Full bar. \$5-25. 3796 Scenic Hwy 98, Destin, 850-837-2627.

**THE CRAB TRAP SEAFOOD AND OYSTER BAR** Destin, 850-654-2722. **CRABTRAPFLORIDA.COM**

**THE CRAB TRAP SEAFOOD AND OYSTER BAR** Located on the Okaloosa Island Boardwalk, 850-301-0959. **CRABTRAPFLORIDA.COM**

**DEWEY DESTIN'S HARBORSIDE RESTAURANT** The classics, done right. Shrimp, crab, tuna, grouper, scallops, oysters and some land-based items, served fried, grilled, or

steamed in most conceivable combinations. Family-friendly, accommodating staff. Nightly specials, full bar. Open daily at 11 AM 202 Harbor Boulevard, Destin, 850-837-7525.

**DEWEY DESTIN'S NAVARRE** All your favorites, plus live music with Beachcomber Music Award winner Austin Jennings every Saturday night from 8 to 11. Open Sun.-Thu., 11 AM-8 PM, and Fri.-Sat., 11 AM-9 PM. 8673 Navarre Parkway, Navarre, 850-710-7070.

**DEWEY DESTIN'S SEAFOOD RESTAURANT** Get fed with the real locals on Calhoun. Dine inside or out on the water, choosing from grilled and fried local fish and shellfish. Oysters, scallops, shrimp, crab, yellowfin and daily catch served in baskets, on platters or on sandwiches with gumbo, apps and salads that all go well with the laid-back setting. Beer and wine. Open daily at 11 AM 9 Calhoun Avenue, Destin, 850-837-7575.

**FLOYD'S SHRIMP HOUSE** Located on the Okaloosa Island Boardwalk, 850-243-2232. **FLOYDSSHRIMPHOUSE.COM**

**GRANDE VISTA BAR & GRILL** Located in the Emerald Grande. Open daily 7 AM-9 PM for breakfast, lunch and dinner. Grande Vista Bar & Grill has delicious local seafood, signature sandwiches and mouth-watering burgers. Enjoy casual or business lunch inside or poolside overlooking the Destin Harbor. Enjoy special drink prices inside or outside at our poolside bar. The view from our pool deck is simply breathtaking. Half-priced drinks daily, 4-6 PM 10 Harbor Blvd., Destin, 850-337-8100 x1550. **info@emeraldgrande.com.**

**HARBOR DOCKS** on the historic Destin Harbor has been serving simply prepared Gulf to table seafood from its own market since 1979. Offering hearty breakfasts, a lunch menu featuring blue plate specials alongside authentic Thai dishes, and the area's best sushi by world famous Chef Yoshie Eddings. In addition to traditional Gulf seafood dishes, there is something for everyone. 538 Harbor Blvd., Destin, 850-837-2506. **harbordocks.com.**

**HARRY T'S LIGHTHOUSE** Located in HarborWalk Village right on the beautiful Destin Harbor, Harry T's has something for all ages! With entrees ranging from fresh local seafood to our gourmet hamburgers, there's something for everyone! Voted Best Place to Watch the Sunset four years in a row, our outside deck offers an unparalleled view of the Destin Harbor. Mega Happy Hour Mon.-Fri. 11 AM-7 PM 46 Harbor Blvd., Destin, 850-654-4800. **info@harryts.co.**

**OLD BAY STEAMER** Wide variety of fresh steamed seafood served in every imaginable combination. Choose from crab, shrimp, lobster, oysters, clams, mussels, and fresh catch of the day. Pasta and steak/seafood pairings also offered. Friendly, efficient service. Open daily for dinner, with full bar. \$4-27, 102 Santa Rosa Blvd., Okaloosa Island, 664-2795.

**ORIGINAL WATERFRONT CRAB SHACK** Located on the water. The Crab Shack serves crab, shrimp, oysters, mussels, scallops and assorted local fish in an informal and family-friendly atmosphere. Crab steamer buckets, fried seafood baskets, sandwiches and po-boys, and some land-based items. Open daily for lunch and dinner. Daily specials, inside and outside dining. Full bar. \$3-45. 104 Miracle Strip Pkwy., Fort Walton Beach. 850-664-0345.

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**SALTWATER GRILL** We provide a relaxing, casual atmosphere designed to heighten the enjoyment of our customers’ dining experience. Most of our tables have entertaining views of a 25,000-gallon aquarium filled with dozens of exotic fish. Our Gulf fresh seafood and choice steaks are AMazing. We welcome you to join us. Open daily—Sun.-Thu., 4-10 PM, Fri.-Sat., 4-11 PM. Panama City Beach, 850-230-2739.

**STINKY’S FISH CAMP** Seafood is king at this informal Santa Rosa Beach eatery. Oysters “all ways,” crawfish pie, catfish or frog legs meuniere, and gumbo are just a few of the Louisiana-inspired dishes. Service is friendly and attentive. Open daily 11 AM to 10 PM Serving brunch on Sunday from 10 AM to 3 PM Beer, wine and live music at Stinky’s Bait Shack from 6 to 9 PM 5960 Scenic Highway 30A, Santa Rosa Beach, 850-267-3053.

**THE SURF HUT** Miramar Beach, 850-460-7750. **SURFHUTDESTIN.COM**

## SPORTS BARS

**SLICK MICK’S** 19 Eglin Parkway NE, Fort Walton Beach, 850-864-5577. Please see full listing under American section.

## STEAKS

**MCGUIRE’S IRISH PUB OF DESTIN** One of America’s Great Steak Houses. Feasting, Imbibery and Debauchery. We are known for great food, exceptional service, our own craft brewed beers, and fun live entertainment. Open LATE, from 11 AM to 1:45 AM seven days a week. 33 U.S. 98, Destin, 850-650-0000, **www.mcguiresirishpub.com**.

**RUTH’S CHRIS STEAK HOUSE** serves the finest aged, corn-fed USDA Prime beef. Broiled in a trademark 1,800° broiler and served on a plate heated to 500 degrees, your steak is presented sizzling hot at your table. Happy hour daily from 5 to 7 PM in any of our three bars, including the new East Bar. We boast an array of private event spaces, our own private billiard room, valet parking, and live entertainment five nights a week from *Billboard*-charting recording artist Michael J Thomas (upon availability). Open seven days a week at 5 PM For reservations, call 850-837-RUTH (7884) or visit **www.RuthsChrisDestin.com**.

**SALTWATER GRILL** Open 4-10 PM 1100 Hutchinson Blvd., Panama City Beach, 850-230-2739, **saltwatergrillpcb.com**.

## SUSHI

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## WINE BARS

**TWISTED GRAPE CAFÉ AND WINE BAR** in Shalimar is an eclectic restaurant serving lunch and dinner with a varied menu of tapas style plates, flatbreads, Panini, award-winning ZinGouda burger and lasagna at dinnertime, and unique desserts. Our wine list includes wines from around the world. We host fundraising events and are available for any special occasion. Open Mon.-Thu. 11 AM-9 PM, 11 AM-10 PM Fridays, and 5-10 PM Saturdays. 1193 B Eglin Parkway, Shalimar, 850-651-5100. **twistedgrapewinebar.com**

# Where to Spend Your Happy Hours in Beachcomberland

### BAXTER’S BAR & GRILLE

605 James Lee Road

Fort Walton Beach

850-812-6868

**When:** 3-6 PM and 10 PM-Midnight daily.

**Drink Specials:** \$3 wells, \$2 drafts.

### CAMILLE’S AT CRYSTAL BEACH

2931 Scenic Highway 98, Destin

850-337-8860

**When:** 3-5 PM daily.

**Drink Specials:** Lots, including Camille’s Signature Sangria. Plus a stunning view of the Gulf.

### FOKKER’S PUB

215 Miracle Strip Parkway SE Unit #1, Fort Walton Beach

850-244-6666

**When:** 3-7 PM every day except Tuesday (closed).

**Drink Specials:** \$2 domestic beers, \$3 well drinks (Jack, Jim, Bacardi, etc.), \$3 house wines, \$1 off everything else.

### GRAFFITI & THE FUNKY BLUES SHACK

34902 Emerald Coast Parkway, Destin

850-424-6650

**GraffitiFBS.com**

**When:** 4-7 PM daily, late night happy hour Friday and Saturday, 10 PM-midnight.

### GRANDE VISTA

Emerald Grande, HarborWalk Village, Destin

850-337-8100, ext. 1550

**When:** 4-6 PM daily.

**Drink Specials:** All drinks half off (except bottles of wine and Drink Special of the Day), plus specially priced apps.

### HARRY T’S

HarborWalk Village, Destin

850-654-4800

**When:** Mon.-Fri., 11 AM-7 PM—downstairs bar only.

**Drink Specials:** Half off drinks.

### JACKACUDAS

HarborWalk Village, Destin

850-424-3507

**When:** Monday-Friday, 3-6 PM Sushi bar and bar area only. Bonzai Wednesdays, 6 PM-close with half price sake, house wine, apps and sushi rolls.

**Drink Specials:** Half-price hot sake carafes, house wine pours, select draft beers and select apps, plus \$5 California rolls, spicy krab rolls and crunch salmon rolls.

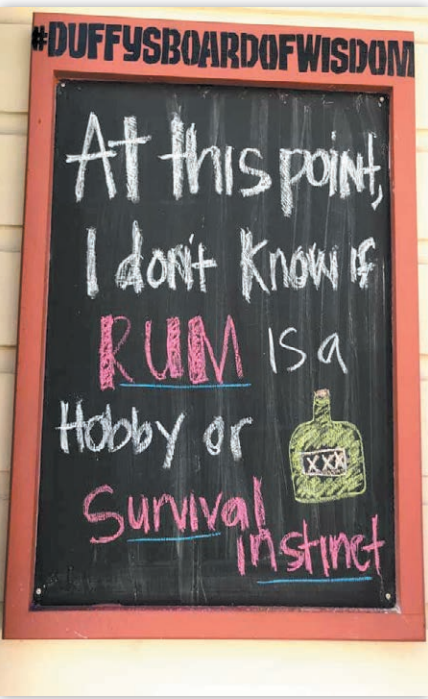
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HarborWalk Village, Destin

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**When:** Monday-Friday, 10 PM-close.

**Drink Specials:** \$3 14-ounce Bud Light or Landshark draft, \$4 Barefoot cabernet and



chardonnay, \$5 “Who’s to Blame” margaritas and “5 O’Clock Somewhere” cocktails.

### LA PAZ

950 Gulf Shore Drive, Destin

850-837-2247

**When:** 4-6 PM daily.

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### RESTAURANT PARADIS

82 S Barrett Square, Rosemary Beach

850-534-0400

**Drink Specials:** Daily from 5 to 6 PM—New Amsterdam Vodka Martinis for \$5. Every Tuesday and Thursday from 5 to 7 PM—\$5 select martinis and \$7 select wines.

### SAMMY’S

1224 Santa Rosa Blvd., Fort Walton Beach

**When:** Early happy hour, 1-6 PM Late night happy hour, 2-4 AM Never a cover charge for escorted women, military, or restaurant-hotel-bar employees.

**Drink Specials:** Early happy hour—two for \$5 well drinks, \$10 buckets of beer, two-for-one shot specials, no cover charge. Late night happy hour—two for \$6 well drinks, \$12 buckets of beer, two-for-one shot specials, no cover charge after 3 AM

### SLICK MICK’S

19 Eglin Parkway NE

Fort Walton Beach

850-864-5577

**When:** 3-7 PM daily.

### TWISTED GRAPE CAFÉ AND WINE BAR

1193B Eglin Parkway, Shalimar

850-651-5100

**When:** Monday-Friday, 11 AM-7 PM

**Drink Specials:** \$1 off all Twisted (house) wines.



# Scraping the Bottom of the (Yogurt) Barrel

By Dawn Bright

**Dear Dawn,**  
**I saw your answer in the last issue of *Beachcomber* as to whether or not golf was really exercise. I have the same question about bowling, because my sister's doctor told her, "Bowling isn't exercise, it's an activity." What do you think?**  
**- Billy B. from FWB**

Good question, Billy. I'm not a doctor, so I did a little research on this one. According to **bowling.com**, bowling works 134 muscles. That heavy ball you're throwing helps develop strength in lifting, bending and twisting. And it definitely improves your balance. Here are a few other fun facts: Bowling is the number one participation sport in the United States, according to the Bowling Proprietor's Association of America. One hour of bowling can burn anywhere from 219 to 320 calories, and can help speed up your metabolism. The repetitive swinging, flexing, bending and stretching help tone muscle groups in your arms, chest, back and legs.

And don't forget the social benefit of spending time with family and friends, which can decrease stress, loneliness and depression. So I'm going to have to disagree with that doctor. Bowling is not just an activity, it is exercise!

**Dear Dawn,**  
**In the last issue, you talked about how much you enjoy golf. I'm also an avid golfer, and am wondering—how do you handle the white feet and glove hand?**  
**- Samantha A. from Destin**

Wow, I'm excited about all you folks reading my column! Anyway, yes, I do have very white feet and a white left hand. When you watch the pro golfers, you'll notice they have pretty weird hat lines, too. For me, I'm so proud of myself for taking up this sport. I kind of feel like I'm showing off when I walk around in sandals that highlight the difference between my feet and the bottom of my leg. It's a trophy of sorts.

But if it bothers you, try exfoliating the area where the white meets the

brown. It might take a few treatments, but eventually you'll see a more gradual color change rather than the stark change you're seeing now. Or just use a self-tanner on the sections that have no color. I have friends who swear by Jergens Natural Glow, but there are quite a few on the market. And call me—I'm always up for a good game of golf!

**Dear Dawn,**  
**Years ago, I worked with a fellow who ate yogurt for breakfast every day, and every day, without fail, he scraped the last tiny bit out of the container. It was pretty annoying. Now I've discovered my new wife also scrapes every last tiny morsel out of the container. It kind of drives me crazy. What should I do?**  
**- Dave D. from Miramar Beach**

It's funny the things that bug us. It can be something big or something really small, but the outcome is the same. It's annoying.

I'm also a yogurt scraper, and like me, she probably loves that yogurt so much she isn't even aware she's doing all that scraping. Or it could just be a habit while she's thinking about something else. I'm sure she's not worrying about whether or not she's wasting food—we're talking about such a miniscule amount of yogurt it couldn't possibly be that. Like me, it's probably just her savoring every last delicious taste of the yogurt. Do you eat yogurt, Dave? If you did, I'm sure you would understand what I'm talking about.


The issue, though, is what should you do? Nothing. Let her enjoy her yogurt. Leave the room. Put on headphones. Find something you like that you can scrape right along with her. As a newlywed, Dave, you need to learn to pick your battles, and this one seems like a pass to me. So good luck and happy scraping to you both!

*Dawn Bright is an eternal optimist. And that's pretty much all you need to know about her. Email your questions to [office@beachcomberdestin.com](mailto:office@beachcomberdestin.com).*

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**AQUARIUS**  
JAN. 21 - FEB. 19




You like water? Good, because all signs point to unrelenting wetness. You'll get all kinds of skin rot in horrific, hard to get to body cavities.

**PISCES**  
FEB. 20 - MAR. 20




Who cares? Don't fool yourself—hardly anybody except close family, if you're lucky. And Pisces people aren't known for having good luck. Stars and planets wish they could ignore Pisces.

**ARIES**  
MAR. 21 - APR. 20




Always a life of beauty and peace. And happiness, friends, family, pets, beautiful memories and wonderful days ahead. Life stays full.

**TAURUS**  
APR. 21 - MAY 21




Nothing but dark skies. No stars. Probably not good.

**GEMINI**  
MAY 22 - JUNE 21




Everything's so chaotic for Geminis—planets aren't powerful enough to yank you out of a disastrous month.

**CANCER**  
JUNE 22 - JULY 22




The stars have nothing to do with your lack of incentive. Blame it on something else.

**LEO**  
JULY 23 - AUG. 23




Not good. Getting worse. You trend down, down, down.

**VIRGO**  
AUG. 24 - SEPT. 23




You're a nice person—that's why it's so hard to see your sign point to a maelstrom of trouble and sadness.

**LIBRA**  
SEPT. 24 - OCT. 23




Rarely are champions only successful in one area of life. Heroism, altruism, commitment to helping others-ism...these things are second nature to Libras. We need more people born in late September.

**SCORPIO**  
OCT. 24 - NOV. 22




Some 25,000 odd people will be raptured up into heaven (it's in the Bible). You're not one of them. This gives you the go-ahead to misbehave...what difference does it make?

**SAGITTARIUS**  
NOV. 23 - DEC. 21



The orbs in the sky have no meaning for you people.

**CAPRICORN**  
DEC. 22 - JAN. 20



The end of the world is coming. Go ahead and build that bunker and load it up with canned soup, bottled water and ammo. It'll be fun!

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# FRESH SEAFOOD?



One of the first questions people ask when they visit our area is  
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That’s an excellent question. In the state of Florida, even though it is surrounded by water, more than 90% of the seafood sold this year will be imported from other countries.

Throughout the United States, the huge majority of seafood is imported. Most of it is mislabeled. Frozen seafood is sold as “fresh” and imported seafood is sold as “local”. According to Oceana, 93% of fish sold as red snapper is actually some other species. 57% of tuna sold at sushi bars throughout the country is not tuna. Most of the tilapia served in this country comes from Viet Nam and Thailand and much

of it is farmed in waters with sewage run-off and the source of feed is pig feces.

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# SUMMER EVENTS

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AUG 17**

## MONDAYS | MOVIE NIGHT

**SHOWTIME: 8:00PM** Enjoy dinner at your favorite HarborWalk Village restaurant, then join us for a family movie on the main stage!

## TUESDAYS | FAT TUESDAY PARADE

**CONCERT: 6:30PM | PARADE: 8:30PM** The Harbor transforms into "The Big Easy" with dazzling floats, street performers, handbells of beads and a firespinning show!

## THURSDAYS | THROWBACK THURSDAY

**VINTAGE PLANE FLYOVER: 6:30PM | CONCERT: 7:00PM | FIREWORKS: 9:00PM** It's a blast from the past with music from each decade! The party continues with a spectacular fireworks finale and firespinning show following the concert.

## SATURDAYS | ROCK THE DOCKS

**CONCERT: 7:00PM** Rock along the docks and under the stars to a free live concert. Make each Saturday a hit!



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